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Wavell Prescribes 'Faith Cure' For India

Drop 'Quit India' And Trust Britain's Intentions

Viceroy Asserts Present Govt. Is 'National': Sermon To Political Parties At Associated Chambers' Function

CALCUTTA, December 14.

The Viceroy Lord Wavell, in his address to the Associated Chambers of Commerce at Calcutta today made a detailed review of India's position and problems, financial, economic, transport and food, at the end of 1944 and drew one or two conclusions as regards the political problem.

He had given reasons to conclude, he said, that the war had strengthened rather than weakened India and had given her the greatest opportunity she ever had if—and this was of course a crucial if—India could solve her political problems and present a united front to what would be, for at least some year to come a stern, difficult, troubled world.

"If she is still tossing with the fever of political faction, or if her political doctors decide that she must undergo a major surgical operation such as Pakistan, she may miss the opportunity that is hers to take but can be taken only by a nation at health within itself and fit for a struggle that will test every nerve and sinew—the struggle for greater well-being and greater happiness in this great land.

"Whatever the future constitution may be the events of the past 30 years have shown us that it must provide adequately for the defence of the country and Indian leaders will do well to consider this closely."

Assuming for the moment the role of medical adviser to political India, his advice would be something like this: "I do not believe that your condition calls for a serious operation.

I should certainly try all other possible remedies first. But I do not think that that 'Quit India' mixture or those Satyagraha pills have done you much good.

I should suggest your leaving off medicines altogether and you may find that you are not as ill as you think. Perhaps some fresh air and work in the fields would do you good.

In other words, the Viceroy continued, "I do not believe that there are now real differences in principle between India and Britain, or that the communal problem, difficult though it is, insoluble.

But also I do not believe that we can solve our problems by mutual recriminations and by harping on past grievances and mistakes. Our best hope lies in working together without trying to lay down detailed conditions or to decide everything before we begin work.

"To return to the medical metaphor for a moment, I think the first requirement for a return to health is a faith cure, a belief in the good intentions of the British people and in their genuine desire for a settlement and for the welfare and self-government of the Indian people. I can certainly assure you that I should not be here if I did not believe in those.

His Excellency went on to contend that we had a national Government in India now. A preponderantly Indian Government which in spite of all the criticism and abuse heaped on it was doing an essential job of work for India, and was doing it on the whole extremely well.

"This does not mean to say that some other national government, national by my definition, but based on the support of the main political parties—might not be more serviceable to India's needs.

Not because such a government would necessarily be more efficient than the present Government, but because the efforts we have to make now and in the future demand considerable sacrifices.

The average man is not willing to surrender comfort and income for the benefit of those poorer than himself or of future generations unless he is coerced by a dictatorship or led by those in whom he has great confidence.

If it were possible to form such a national government during the war, it would quite clearly and quite definitely have to function under the existing constitution, no material change of which is possible during the war.

And its primary task would have to be support of the war effort, not by mere lip service which is useless, but sincerely and whole-heartedly."

WELCOME TO SAPRU COMMITTEE

Referring to the demand for a move by H.M.G. His Excellency drew attention to two previous attempts, namely the Constitution Act of 1935 and the Cripps Mission, both of which failed.

"After the second failure, H. M. G said they could do no more and that India herself must make a constructive suggestion. No such suggestion has yet emerged; and the recent discussion between Mr. Gandhi and Mr Jinnah shows how intractable the communal problem still is.

I am glad to see that prominent Indians are undertaking further discussion of the problem.

"The previous rejections of their offers must naturally make H.M.G chary of a further advance until they feel that the spirit of compromise and co-operation is real. But their desire for a solution remains perfectly genuine; and I have tried to indicate lines in which progress might be attempted, if the Indian leaders desire it."—

IF INDIA CAN'T GO BACK TO SPINNING WHEEL.

On problems of post-war development, the Viceroy referred to the

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NEWSPAPER PRICES

Plea Of Indian Languages Newspapers' Association

A meeting of the Executive Committee of the Indian Languages Newspapers Association held in the office of the "Janmabhoomi" on Thursday under the presidency of Mr. Amritlal D. Sheth passed the following resolutions in the matter of Government proposal of page and price schedule.

"This association is of opinion that Government proposal of fixing 48 pages and above for two annas 'A' class papers could be considered reasonable only if the minimum of 66 per cent increase in the newsprint quota is provided for. The association is further of opinion that for one anna and one and a half anna newspapers, the pages to be fixed should be 32 and 36 respectively and not 36 and 42 as is proposed by the Government. The association therefore requests the Government that they be good enough to give 66 per cent increase in the newsprint quota and fix 32, 36 and 48 pages respectively for one anna, one and a half anna and two anna newspapers respectively.

No Jail Delivery

Amery Repeats His "October Reply"

LONDON Dec. 14.

Mr. Amery stated in reply to a question in the Commons to-day that he had noted and acknowledged the Keighley Rotary Club's suggestion that the publication of the names of Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru's Conciliation Board Committee provided a suitable opportunity for the release of Congress party leaders.

Replying to Mr. Ivor Thomas (Labour) who asked what reply had been given, Mr Amery said: "As regards release of Congress party leaders, I have nothing to add to the reply I made on October 5 to Mr. Sorensen".

Mr. Amery at that time stated he was not aware of any reason for relaxing the orders of detention of Congress Leaders who made no response to the Viceroy's invitation to abandon the policy of non-co-operation and obstruction.—Reuter.

Engineers In Britain Condemn Govt. Policy

Threaten To Down Tools: Churchill Faces Barrage Of Questions In Commons

LONDON, December 14.

Mr. Churchill replying to a question in the Commons to-day about consultation with Dominions on the Greek question said, the British Government had not received from Dominion Governments any indication that they dissented from the action Britain had been compelled to take.

Mr. Edgar Granville had asked if the Prime Minister could give an assurance that Dominion Government had been consulted at each stage in the action taken by the British Government in Greece and whether this aspect of Foreign Policy had been approved by them.

Mr. Churchill said: "It is not physically possible to consult Dominion Governments as to every step which fast moving developments of war render necessary. They have, however, throughout been kept closely and continuously informed of what has taken place.

Asked by Mr. Granville if the reply meant that Dominion Governments were consulted before the War Cabinet's decisions had been taken and not merely informed afterwards and before military action taken, Mr. Churchill replied: "Great questions of policy like whether we should go to the aid of Greece after the Germans were driven out—great questions of policy are made manifest to the Dominions by a continuous succession of telegrams which are sent and which give them a perfect and full picture of the situation. Executive measures which are sometimes forced to be taken in greatest speed owing to danger to life and limb—these measures it is not possible to refer to Governments all over the world.

But they have been kept fully informed of everything as it goes forward and the Dominions Secretary informs me I could rightly say we have received from the Dominions no indication that they dissent from the action we have been compelled to take.

"MURDERING OUR GREEK COMRADES"

Mr. Cocks (Labour): May I ask the Prime Minister how long this Government intends to go on with this policy of murdering our Greek comrades?

There was an outburst of protest at this remark and cries of 'shame' and 'withdraw.'

Mr Kirkwood (Labour) Are you aware I am inundated with telegrams this morning from engineers all over Britain threatening to down tools against the part being played by Government in Greece at the moment?

Mr. Churchill replied: "I could quite believe Mr Kirkwood would receive many telegrams from many parts of the country over the matter which causes so much heart searching. I gave a long account on this matter to the House the other day (cheers) and I may take occasion to give some further account to the country. But we have laid our case very fully before the House. It was also discussed very fully and freely at the Parliamentary Conference yesterday and I have nothing at this moment to add to what has been said."

Labour Conference On Economic Controls

LONDON, Dec. 14.—After a stormy debate on Greece yesterday, the atmosphere at the Labour Party Conference was calmer to-day and delegates settled down to discuss economic controls, Public ownership and full employment.

A special resolution by the Executive contained the following point: "In order to sustain the high and steadily rising level of purchasing power it will be necessary for a Labour Government to control the Bank of England and lending policy of joint stock banks and set up a National Investment Board. In order to prevent re-emergence of local unemployment and depressed areas, it will be essential for the State to control location of industry. In order to promote a large and steadily increasing volume of foreign trade and establish a more prosperous and secure economic system throughout the world we must enter into international agreements with the Dominions, Russia, United States and other friendly nations for the purpose of stabilizing exchanges regulating foreign lending expanding international trade and assisting agricultural and industrial development among the economically backward peoples of the earth."

The Labour Member of Parliament Mr. Shinwell introduced the Executive report on full employment and financial policy which declared that the principal wartime financial controls must be maintained during the transition from war to peace. He declared the Socialist policy of the Labour Party remained unchanged.

The Executive's resolution was adopted with an addendum moved by the Secretary of Transport Workers Union Mr. E Deakin. A big surprise was caused when a resolution moved by Mr. Ian Mikardo of Reading, Berkshire, was carried by a large majority after Mr. Noel Baker for the Executive had asked Mikardo to withdraw it. The resolution asked the Executive to make it clear that the Party's programme at the next election would include transfer to public ownership of land, large scale building, heavy industry and all forms of banking, transport fuel and power.—Reuter.

B. B. & C. I. Rly. Strike Ends

BOMBAY, Thursday.

All workers of the B B. & C I Railway who were on strike since December 2 resumed work this morning But the train services on the local line are not restored to normal as yet.

A spokesman of the Railway told "Chronicle" reporter that they expected to run all the local trains according to normal schedule at the end of this week.

Two of the intervening days are necessary to write off the arrears which have accumulated during the strike period.

The arrears are in the matter of repairs to electric equipment, armature bearings and the like which need servicing.

STOP PRESS

LABOUR DEPUTATION FOR INDIA?

LONDON, Dec. 14: British Labour circles in London are discussing a suggestion that a Labour deputation be sent to India to inquire into the general position on the self-Government issue, Reuter's political correspondent understands.

This deputation is not related to the proposed visit by an all-party deputation which it is believed is still being considered in influential parliamentary quarters.—Reuter.

DEBATE ON POLAND.

LONDON, Dec. 14: Reuter's political correspondent learns that Mr. Churchill may speak in to-morrow's full debate on Poland in Parliament. Mr. Churchill may even open the debate in which the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Eden will take part.—Reuter.

BR. TROOPS CROSS PIRAEUS BAY

Military Position In Greece "Virtually Unchanged"

ATHENS, Dec. 14.

Military authorities to-day issued an order that henceforth civilians would be allowed in streets only between noon and 2 p.m.

Nothing seems to have come yet from the EAM Emissary's visit to General Scobie last Tuesday.

The military position to-day was virtually unchanged. In the centre of the Capital, British forces hold a rectangle roughly 4,000 by 5,000 yards. In addition to this the Greek Mountain Brigade continues to hold a large area they have cleared in the eastern suburbs.

During the night British troops in the Piraeus area crossed the Piraeus Bay and established two points on the opposite side without meeting resistance. A small-scale attack by 70 ELAS men against the British-held base in the Piraeus peninsula was repulsed—Reuter.

EGYPTIAN PREMIER DENIES RUMOURS

No Ministerial Crisis Over Elections

CAIRO, Dec. 14.

Ahmed Maher Pasha, Egyptian Prime Minister, to-day denied persistent rumours of ministerial crisis over the forthcoming elections.

"Coalition parties in the Cabinet are as united as ever", he declared. Leaders of four Coalition parties conferred yesterday afternoon before the list of candidates was closed.

Already 36 candidates, six of them ministers including the Premier, have been returned unopposed. 14 of the 36 are Sadists 16 Liberals, four Independents, one Nationalist and one Maramist (Independent Wafdist).—Reuter

Battle At Gates Of Budapest

MOSCOW, Dec. 14.

Reuter's special correspondent in "furious German counter-attacks inside the North-Eastern sector of Budapest defence sic led to fierce hand-to-hand clashes with Russian storm troops as the battle at the gates of the capital enters the most bitter stage."

'SUPER-FORTS' BOMB SIAM TARGETS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14: The War Department announced to-day that a substantial number of Super Fortresses attacked targets in Siam from bases in India.

INDIAN UNIT'S SUCCESS ON BURMA FRONT

KANDY, Dec. 14: SEAC "Communique" to-day states:

ARAKAN: Troops of an Indian regiment have occupied two features 10 miles east north-east of Maungdaw. There was vigorous patrolling in Kaladan and Pi Chaung areas. NORTHERN COMBAT AREA: There was Chinese patrol action in the Tonkwa area south of Bhamo and Katha. At Bhamo Chinese troops made slight gains in the northern sector along the Irrawaddy.

JAP FREIGHTER SUNK

PHILIPPINES, Dec. 14: Gen. MacArthur's "Communique" reported that air patrols in the Luzon area destroyed a 3,000-ton freighter transport east of Mindoro. In a raid on Sanoakan in Eornso direct hits were scored on docks and five coastal vessels were sunk or damaged.

Rangoon Bombed

LONDON, Dec. 14.—The Japanese News Agency says that Rangoon was raided by eleven "Super Fortresses" to-day.—Reuter.

Two Sepoys Sentenced To Death For Murder

VIZAGAPATAM, Dec. 9: The Sessions Judge Vizagapatam, delivered judgment yesterday in the Chicacole shooting case, sentencing two Sepoys to death on a charge of murder. Six Sepoys attached to an Observers Corps were prosecuted for alleged rioting and murder of two villagers by firing at them and causing serious injuries to another man and girl in a village near Chicacole in September last. One of the accused pleaded alibi.

The judge disbelieved the defence story and sentenced two Sepoys to death. The other Sepoys were acquitted.—A. P.

Agarwal On Gandhiji's Health

WARDHA, Dec. 14.

Mahatma Gandhi held evening prayers in the Commerce College Hall and after prayers attended a variety entertainment arranged by the students of the College for Gandhiji's recreation including an Assamese classical dance which was appreciated by Gandhiji He is going to village Pipari four miles from Wardha for picnic to-day.

Principal S. N. Agarwal with whom Gandhiji is staying at Wardha for the last few days interviewed in connection with Gandhiji's health said:—"Gandhiji has been quite cheerful during these days of rest and relaxation. In the course of my talks with him Gandhiji told me that it was primarily the very heavy strain of daily correspondence and interviews which caused much fatigue and forced him to take complete rest."

Pandit Chandiprasad, Vaidya from Delhi arrived here and examined Gandhiji. He found his health satisfactory.—United Press.

ALLIES CAPTURE ALL METZ FORTS

Drive To Cologne Continues: Progress In Northern Alsace

SHAEF, PARIS, December 14.

General Eisenhower's 'communique' to-day stated: "In the Julich-Duren sector, Allied troops have cleared Schophoven. The villages of Mariawiler and Derichsweiler west of Duren and Gey further south are also in our hands.

Gains have been made in the areas north and south of Monschau. East and south-east of Rotgen our troops have taken Rollesbroich and Simmerath Progress has been made in the forest area and about four miles south-east of Monschau. We crossed the Blies river between Habkirchen Fort Jeanne D'Arc, last of the Metz forts, has been captured.

In Northern Alsace just west of the Lower Vosges gains up to three miles were made. North-west of Bitche our forces went through the Maginot line to Kappellenhoff. In the drive north of Hagenau forest, Suis and several nearby villages were freed and to east fighting continued at Seltz near the Rhine.

With the United States 1st Army General Hodge's 1st Army drove forward 2,000 yards during night in a new attack south west of Duren. They nearly reached the village of Kasternich. To the north, one of America's newest and hardest fighting divisions—General Terry Allens Timberwolf division—cleared the last German strongpoint holding out on this side of the Roer north of Duren.

Another American division—Ohio's Buckeye 83rd Division—cleared the important Gey to Stratt road on the approaches to Duren. This road which was the scene of one of the heaviest artillery duels of the present offensive is now completely in Allied hands.

On the northern flank of Ohio division, United States 9th Division virtually cleared the entire Aachen Cologne Autobahn to a point where it crosses the Roer river. The capture of this super highway will have an important bearing on Allied supply problems for the drive to Cologne and into the Ruhr.

United States 2nd Army front: Gains of 500 yards have been made by the United States 95th Infantry division south and east beyond Frelautern, north-eastern Suburb of Saarlautern. More Siegfried line "pillboxes" and houses have been taken.

German Resistance In Italy Stiffens

BOMBAY Dec 13

(From A. K. Quereshi, API correspondent recently arrived in London from Italy):—The German resistance in Italy has stiffened again and the Allies' progress has consequently slowed down, latest dispatches from Italy indicate.

When the 8th Army recently followed up the capture of Ravenna with a six mile sweep to Mezzanno, it appeared the moment had arrived for Marshal Kesselring to consider the eventual evacuation of the Emilian highway towns of Faenza, Imola and possibly Bologna. But the German defence has toughened again and both the 8th and 5th armies have come to a halt just east and south of Faenza.

GERMAN BID FOR GREENLAND FOILED

WASHINGTON Dec 14: The United States Navy Department announced today that a "determined Nazi effort" to establish fortified bases in Greenland had been defeated by four coastguard cutters in a series of actions lasting from July to October. One German armed trawler was sunk, another was captured and a third was found abandoned. Sixty German prisoners were taken. A radio station was captured and destroyed.—Reuter.

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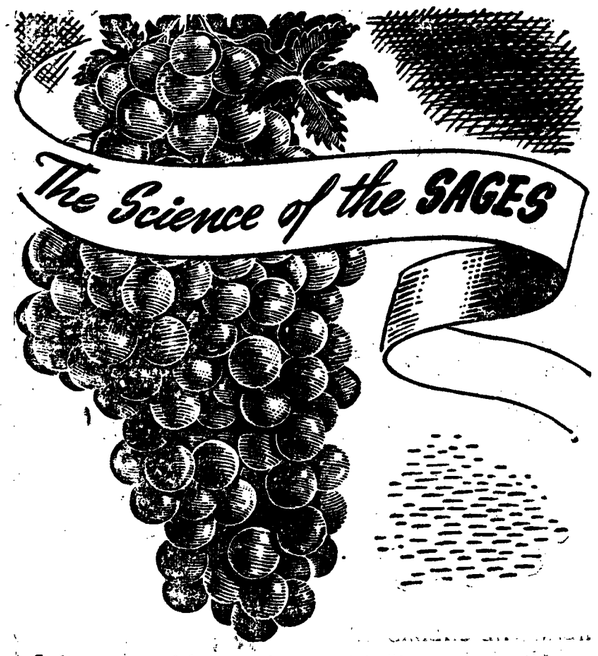

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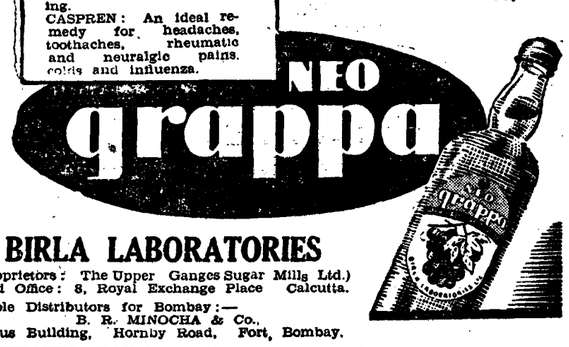

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RETAILERS WANT SEATS ON TEXTILE BOARD

Assurance To Govt. To Combat Profiteering

BOMBAY, Thursday.

Addressing the local press on behalf of the Bombay Retail Cloth Dealers Association to-day, Mr. Jayanand N. Khira, President, said that while appreciating the action of Government in promulgating orders to check black market in the textile trade, it was his painful duty to point out that the orders and schemes of Government had failed.

"The Government is fast losing control of the situation," warned Mr. Khira and unless something radical was done, he added, the situation would deteriorate."

He offered co-operation of the Retail Cloth Dealers' Association to eradicate black market and profiteering.

Mr. Khira complained that Government had refused consistently to recognise the retail dealer as the most important link between the customer and the wholesaler. "Let not Govt. ignore our claims, constructive suggestions and services", he appealed.

The following were among the suggestions made by Mr. Khira to the authorities:—

That the Retail Cloth Dealers' Federation should have a representation of at least two members on the Textile Control Board to voice the grievances and difficulties of the retailers.

That the committee which advises the Provincial Textile Controller on distribution should solely consist of the retail trade and the wholesalers and manufacturers should have no representation on it.

That the present position of allowing 10 per cent margin to the manufacturers over a distance of 100 miles or over was absurd and excessive. A uniform percentage should be fixed irrespective of the distance only making an allowance of transport charges which should not in any case exceed 1 per cent.

That the present allowance of an additional 7 per cent margin over the ex-mill price for exports should be stopped.

Mayor Rules Out Issue Of K. E. M. Incident

At a meeting of the Municipal Corporation, on Thursday, the Mayor ruled out of order a proposition regarding the death of a child, at the K. E. M. Hospital, on November 13.

The resolution sought a report from the Medical Relief and Public Health Committee, in consultation with the Municipal Commissioner, upon the mishap which occurred in the K. E. M. Hospital, last month when some boys from the Municipal Primary Schools were brought by the Schools Committee as usual for treatment at which time the very first boy named Abdul Rashid aged about 8 years died on the spot immediately after the spraying of some powder in his throat, and the boy next to him named Dawood Ibrahim developed the same symptoms after a similar treatment.

Mr. Mohanlal Desai raised a point of order on the ground that any discussion on the resolution would be "sub-judice" as the matter was under a judicial inquiry.

Despite repeated appeals from the Municipal Commissioner "not to tie down" the hands of the Municipal Executive which was already overworked, the Corporation passed a resolution moved by Mr. K. H. Goregaonker, seeking to restrict the time to one month for answering the Interpellations submitted by members, subject to the proviso that after the expiration of that period if an interpellation remained unanswered the Commissioner should apply for extension of time on making out a case for the purpose.

Before the Corporation adjourned to Monday, the Mayor wished "goodbye" to the Municipal Commissioner amidst cheers from the members. Mr. Bhat will relinquish office on Friday (today) morning when the new Commissioner, Mr. U. M Mirchandani, will assume charge.

MORE STUDENTS IN CITY PRIMARY SCHOOLS

That the recent drive in primary education has resulted in an increase of students by 11,538 in Municipal primary schools was disclosed at a meeting of the Schools Committee, on Thursday. Before the drive was launched the total number of children in primary schools was 1,15,694. Mr. N. S. Kajrolkar presided.

TO IMPROVE PHYSICAL EDUCATION

A resolution moved by Mr. P. K Sawant, was passed at the meeting requesting the Secretary of the Schools' Committee to submit proposals suggesting ways and means to improve the physical education that was being imparted in Municipal schools and the consequential reorganisation that would be required to be made in the staff of the Physical Instruction Department on a more systematic line. The report of the Committee should be submitted by February 14 next and contain an estimate of the additional cost required.

GUJARAT KALA MANDAL EXHIBITION

The annual exhibition of the Gujarat Kala Mandal, which is held at the Mody Memorial Hall of the Cama Oriental Institute, has some material of interest. A few impressions which reflect the current progressive trends of Indian Art appear to be in a nappy contrast with the scattered examples of orthodox revivalism. Those who strike the refreshing note of progress are obviously in a minority. Mr. Shantikumar Suraiya is conspicuous among them by his set of paintings in his distinctive style. "Luisa Pt. Matheran" (12) is the best among his landscapes. His "Unity" (17) is the artist's vision of communal unity and is a pictorial contribution towards the solution of one of the vital problems of the day.

Mr. Shyavaksh Chavda is represented by "Departure" (23) which is noteworthy for the strength of line and skilful composition and by a set of posters which are forceful in appeal. "A Temple Beyond Sandhills" (10), which marks the development of the style of Mr. Manu Vyas should stimulate him to go ahead. Equally encouraging are his "Pigeons" (7) and "Returning Home" (39)—a line drawing. Mr. Hiralal Patel is easily singled out by his compositions among which "Process-on" (2) is a brilliant impression. "Navratra" by Miss Bhaktidevi Shah and "Sahelian" (58) by Mr. Sumant Vyas are also interesting exhibits.

D. G. V.

PARTICULARS BEFORE DISCOVERY

Appeal Dismissed

(Before the Hon'ble the Chief Justice and Mr. Justice Chagla)

Byramjee D. Contractor ... Appellant (Original Defendant)
v.
Chiranjilal R. Loyalka ... Respondent (Original Plaintiff)

The respondent filed this suit to recover a sum due in respect of share transactions effected by the defendant through the plaintiff's father (since deceased) who was a broker on the Stock Exchange. The appellant raised various defences to it and counter-claimed for re-opening accounts on the ground of the broker's fraud in respect of those transactions

Ordered to give particulars of the fraud alleged by him, the appellant failed to do so, and Mr. Justice Kania ordered his counterclaim to be struck off From this order, the present appeal was preferred.

On behalf of the appellant it was contended on the authority of the English case of Sacks v. Speilman ((1887) 37 Ch. D. 295), that the trial judge was wrong in making an order for particulars of fraud before an order for discovery had been made.

Dismissing the appeal, Mr. Justice Chagla who delivered the judgment of the Bench stated that this was entirely a matter of discretion and no hard and fast rule could be laid down and His Lordship had no doubt that Mr. Justice Kania's order for particulars before discovery in this case was correct. His Lordship observed that it had become a practice in these Courts to make allegations of fraud on the flimsiest of materials and so it was a salutary thing that the trial judge had put it down with a strong hand.

Mr. Y. B. Rege and Mr. E. B Ghaswala instructed by Messrs. Harilal Thakur & Co., appeared for the appellant.

Mr. H. D. Banaji instructed by Messrs. Madhavji & Co., appeared for the respondent.

Progressive Group Annual Dance For Stricken Gujerat

The Progressive Group held its annual dance for the Gujerat Flood relief at the Taj Mahal Hotel on Wednesday. It was a disappointing show, dull and uneventful. It lacked imagination, initiative, and there was nothing to hold your interest throughout the evening. The cabaret items had neither life nor personality, and was made up of Hawaiian dance, a tap dance sequence, and a temple dance accompanied to the music of Sonny Lobo.

The card competition which was intended to regale was about the flatest item on the card.

It seemed that Lady Rama Rao's apology for striking a serious note was not at all necessary. It was always there, throughout the evening. Lady Rama Rao's serious remarks seemed to fit in perfectly with the atmosphere which was, to say the least, grave.

Lady Rama Rao spoke well and made a neat speech giving first-hand impressions of Gujerat after the floods. She spoke of the excellent work done by the Flood Relief Committee and of the distribution of food and clothing and tools for the workmen. That this was done only after women volunteers had toured the country and inquired into the needs of the stricken people Twenty four thousand yards of clothing were already sent with a priority pass, as well as several sets of working tools and barbers sets were also despatched. She then distributed the prizes for the lucky programmes. The function was largely attended by Parsees.

The lucky prize returned for auctioning realised the sum of rupees one thousand after it had been auctioned and re-auctioned.

Ismail Yusuf College Annual Celebrations Postponed

The Annual functions—(1) Sports contests, (2) Variety Entertainment for Poor Students' fund and (3) Elocution Competition for the Brabourne Trophy of the Ismail Yusuf College (Jogeshwari) have been postponed owing to the present difficulties of transport. The dates on which they will be held will be announced later.

Parsee Gymkhana

In pursuance of the Resolution of the Managing Committee of the Parsee Gymkhana to donate 1/3rd of the gross taking of the Pentangular Cricket Tournament 1944 equally between the Poppy-Day Appeal Fund 1944 and the Gujerat and Khandesh Flood and Distress Relief Fund, a sum of Rs. 2.72 has been paid to each of the two Funds respectively by abovenamed the Gymkhana.

The Half-Column By "Dim"

Looking at the various ribbons which represent various stars and medals, I saw one which represented the King Edward South Africa War medal. Its official colours were green, white and orange (very like saffron). It struck me as odd that these should so closely resemble the Congress colours. I mentioned this to the attendant. He told me that one day Lord Brabourne had made a similar remark and said: "That's where Mr. Gandhi probably got them from." The theory is not improbable.

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Apropos my query about Philanthropist winning the Baroda Cup. I am told that the Maharajah of Parlakmedi was present and he led the horse in with the trainer, Balfour. I am further informed that the Maharajah did not receive the Cup. Instead the Trainer received it on his behalf. This is most peculiar. It is customary for a trainer in the absence of the owner to receive the cup on the owner's behalf, but never—without reason—when the owner is himself present. Nor is it possible that the Maharajah of Parlakamedi could not walk to the paddock to receive it. So what was the reason? Let us look at the person who presented it: she is the young Maharani of Baroda. The Cup was presented by the Gaekwar of Baroda and it is only fit and proper that she should present it. Could it be, one asks oneself, that the Maharajah of Parlakimedi did not want to take the cup from her? This is a question to which we, sportsmen, would like an answer.

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It is regretted that owing to unavoidable circumstances, the release of N. R. Desai Productions' GAALI is held up and it will not be released to-day at Lamington as announced.

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To-day's Engagements

NOTICE TO JURYMEN: Common Jurors' attention is drawn to the Notice appearing in the Public Notifications Column.

PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY OF INDIA: Talk on Paper Negative Process by Mr T. T. Patel, A. R. P. S., 6-30 p.m., '85, Hornby Road.

GENERAL MEETING: Bengal Relief Fund, Bombay Committee, at 6 p.m. to-day at the Indian Merchants' Chamber Building.

KERALA DISTRESS RELIEF COMMITTEE: A meeting of the Committee 6-30 p.m. (N. S. T.), at the Mayor's Chamber, Municipal Corporation.

INDIAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION: Dr K Ganapathi will give a talk on "Penicillin" at 6-15 p.m., in the Haffkine Institute, Parel.

"SAVE MILK FOR CHILDREN": Lady Ram Rau will broadcast a talk on the above subject from the Bombay station of All-India Radio to-day at 8-45 p.m.

BOMBAY BAR COUNCIL: Voting for the election to fill three vacancies in the Bar Council in the High Court Building, to-day from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 2 p.m. to 6 p.m (S, T.).

BOMBAY MARATHI LITERARY CONFERENCE: The eighth annual conference will be held to-day Friday, Saturday and Sunday, at Wilson High School, Maharbavdi under the presidentship of Mr. Laxmanshastri Joshi.

DASTUR DR DHALA'S LECTURE: Dastur Dr. M. N. Dhala will lecture at the Sir C. J Hall, at 6 15 p.m (S. T.). on "Mazdak, the Communist of Ancient Iran", when Mr. Minu Masani will preside.

MUSLIM STUDENTS' UNION: Public lecture on "Sir Shah Mohammed Sulaiman—A Jurist", in the series 'Illustrious Men of Islam'; to-day, at 6 p.m., at Government Law College, Churchgate, Principal A. A. A. Fyzee will speak.

NO TEXTILE PERMITS TO BENGAL IN DECEMBER

The Textile Commissioner desires to inform all concerned that the Bombay Cloth Distribution Panel will not issue, with immediate effect, any more permits for despatch of goods to the South Bengal and the Rajputana Deficit Zones during the month of December.

B. S. U. CONFERENCE

The third session of the 5th Bombay Students' Union Conference will be held to-day (Friday) at 5 p.m. at Sunderbai Hall when there will be a debating competition on 'Congress League unity is necessary and possible for winning freedom" and a cultural programme by 'Voice of Bengal' troupe which will include folk dances, patriotic ballets and songs, sketch on Gandhi-Jinnah meeting, etc.

PROVINCIAL CONFERENCE OF LOCAL BODIES

It has been decided by the Executive Committee of the Local Self-Government Institute which recently met at Poona to hold a conference of all the Local Bodies in the Province of Bombay on Saturday the 17th and Sunday the 18th February 1945 in the Hall of the Local Self-Government Institute at 11, Elphinstone Circle Fort Bombay. Mr L M Patil, Ex-Minister Government of Bombay, Local Self-Government, is expected to preside.

VIRAMGAUM DAY TO BE OBSERVED TO-DAY

Mr. Prchalad Mehta, Member, Executive Committee of the Kathiawar Praja Mandal writes:

Some days ago, the people of Kathiawar raised their strong voice of protest against the unwanted Viramgaum Custom cordon.

To-day, the people of Bombay will also express their deep resentment at the harassing and inhuman treatment, meted out to thousands of passengers passing through Viramgaum.

In observance of the day a meeting will be held at Hirabaug (C. P Tank) at 8-15 p.m. to-day. Sjt. K. M. Munshi will preside. Many other prominent speakers will address the meeting.

As regards the programme for the day, students, youths and gumastas will move round the city streets selling symbolic flags expressing their protest against the Customs cordon. Merchants will observe complete hartal.

JOGFALLS HYDRO-ELECTRIC WORKS: Considerable progress has been made by the Jogfalls hydro-electric works in constructing the dam over the River Saravati. For this the Indian Hume Pipe Company are manufacturing steel pipes of large diameters at the site. Mr. Ratanchand Hirachand, Director in charge of the Indian Hume Pipe Company recently inspected the steel pipe works being made for high pressure pen stock line at Jogfalls.

Protest Against Codification Of Hindu Law

The recent pronouncement by Dr. B. R. Amoedkar criticizing in strong terms the Vedas and the Gita was condemned at a public meeting held at Hira Baug on Thursday evening. Prof. J. R. Durkal presided. The meeting was convened by Provincial Varmuhram Swarajya Sangh to protest against attempts to codify Hindu law.

D.O.M.S. Passes

Out of eleven candidates who appeared at the D.O.M.S. Examination held in the current month, the following three have passed:—

Noman Tayebbhai Mascati; Mansukhlal Vithaldas Mody; Mathew Thomas Thondomvelil.

TO-DAY ON RADIO

BOMBAY—1

FRIDAY, Dec. 15.

244 m (1,231 kc/s) 8-0 News (H) 8-15 News (E) 8-30 Lavmibai Kelkar 8-50 News (M) 9-0 News (G) 9-10 Tomorrow 9-15 Master Nisar 9-30 Juthika Roy 9-45 S A Apte

TRANSMISSION II

12-20 p.m. Bhavgeet (M) 12-45 News (M) 12-50 News (G) 12-55 News (E) 1-0 Variety 1-30 News (E) 1-40 Lunch Music (E) 4-20 School Broadcast 5-0 S A Apte 5-30 Instrumental Duet 5-40 B N Shende 5-55 Locals 6-0 Aunty Hilda's Happy Half-Hour (E) 6-30 News (E) 6-40 News (H) 6-45 Commentary (G) 6 50 Bhavgeet 7-0 "Amuchi Mayaboli" (M) 7-15 S A Apte 7-45 Film Music 8-0 Master Nisar 8-15 News (M) 8-30 News (G) 8-45 Topical Talk 9-0 News (H) 9120 News (E) 9 30 B B C Relay 9145 World Affairs 10-0 Laxmibai Kelkar 10-30 Master Nisar 10-45 Wali Mohammad

"In Society" At Regal

"Madame Curie" Revived: "Lady In The Dark" Stays On

BY T. V. P.

Two of Filmdom's funniest men, Budd Abbott and Lou Costello, who have been absent from the screen for more than a year, return to Regal in Universal's "In Society" in which they are plumbers.

"In Society" tells the hilarious story of what happens when Abbott and Costello are called to the home of a society woman to do some repair work. They arrive during a costume ball, dressed, naturally, as plumbers but are mistaken for guests.

"AROUND THE WORLD"

Fun and frolic on three continents from the basis of 'Around The World'. R.K.O Radio's new comedy musical starring Kay Kyser and his band along with a notable cast of favourites.

'SHINE ON HARVEST MOON'

When a man asks you to marry him, that is love. And when a vaudevillian asks you to be his stage partner, that is business. But when a man is a vaudevillian and asks you to marry him and to be his stage partner as well that is history of Nora Bayes one of America's best-remembered singers whose life is the basis for Warner Bros' new picture "Shine on Harvest Moon" at New Empire Starring Ann Sheridan, as Nora Bayes, and Dennis Morgan as Jack Norworth her husband, the film depicts the life of the first of the torch singers from her early days in Milwaukee to the success which eventually befell her as one of the biggest of Ziegfeld stars.

After a recent successful run of two weeks, "Madame Curie" is being revived for a week at Metro. It stars the well-known team of Walter Pidgeon and Greer Garson.

"LADY IN THE DARK" AT EROS

Parrmount's outstanding picturization of the sensational stage play "Lady In The Dark" photographed in Tri-dimensional Technicolour is held over for a second week at Eros. The film stars a galaxy of top-notchers like Ginger Rogers, Ray Milland, Warner Baxter, John Hall and Mischa Auer and the story is highly dramatic as well as educative.

"The Girls He Left Behind" in Technicolor, starring Alice Faye, Carmen Miranda and Phil Baker will be shown at Aurora.

"Stage Door Canteen", at Palace this week having 42 well-known stars in it.

ENDURANCE CYCLIST

Will Complete His Performance This Evening

BOMBAY, Thursday

Mohmed Haji the endurance cyclist who started yesterday on 84-hour non-stop cycling performance in the MAIDAN of the Y.M.C.A., Club Road, is still continuing his effort. The performance is under the auspices of a special committee called Mr. Mohmed Haji Cyclist Committee. Mohmed went on swinging a

Mahomed Haji, Champion Cyclist.

sword for the twenty-four hours. On the completion of that period at 4-30 p.m. to-day, the sword was taken from his hand by the Nawab of Bela. Seth Ismail Adenwala and others spoke on the occasion. Mr. Mukhtar Ahmed, Secretary of the Committee said that the cyclist would be completing his performance on Friday at 6-30 p.m. when Mr. K. C Ibrahim, the well-known cricketer will present him with a purse. Information received at midnight shows that Mr. Haji is in good trim.

TEXTILE COMMISSIONER'S WARNING

Regular and frequent announcements have recently been made by the Textile Commissioner in the Press, warning dealers to dispose of by 31st December 1944 those goods which will become time barred by that date. At a conference of Provincial Textile Controllers in Bombay on 13th and 14th December concerted measures were agreed upon to seize all such cloth illegally held on and after 1st January 1945, and every month thereafter as goods textmarked January, 1944, and later become time barred.

Harikatha At Matunga

The last of the series of 'Harikathas' by Vijayaraghava Bhagavatar of Mannargudi, son of the late Embar Srirangacharlar comes off tonight at the S. I. Bhajan Samaj Hall, Matunga. In the previous two performances, he impressed the audience by his profound scholarship and high class music. Parallel quotations from Sanskrit, Tamil and Telugu scriptures and spicy Puranic anecdotes replete with wit and humour were some of the highlights of the performance. Both the Bhagavatar and his brother Raghunathan rendered a variety of Ragas, Kirtans and Padas which could be classed as 'Bhava Sangeet'.

K. A. C.

TARASINGH ON SAPRU COMMITTEE

LAHORE, Dec. 14: It is understood that Master Tarasingh has accepted Sir Tej Bahadur's invitation to put before the reconciliation Committee the viewpoint of the Akali Party, and has also agreed to meet Sir Tej before the Committee's meeting which will probably be held at Delhi in the third week of December.—Orient Press.

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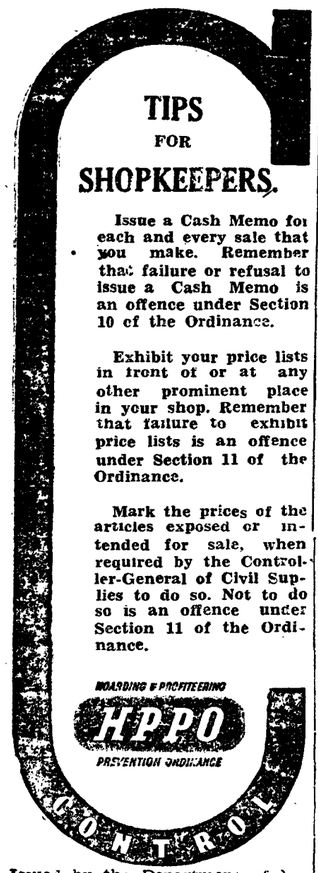

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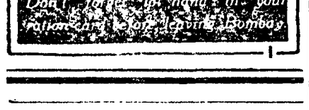

A THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

Happiness is increased not by the enlargement of the possessions, but of the heart.
—John Ruskin.

The Bombay Chronicle

"WAVELL'S REMEDY"

In his address to the Associated Chamber of Commerce—a European organisation—Lord Wavell, assuming the role of a medical adviser to political India, not only attempted a diagnosis of the 'ailment' from which the latter is suffering, but also proceeded to prescribe a remedy for it. In his opinion, country's political condition is not such as to call for a serious "operation" like that envisaged under the Pakistan scheme. Nor does he believe that "Quit-India" mixture or the "Satyagraha pills" have done this country much good. Lord Wavell has got his own remedy to suggest instead, and it is that "leaving off medicines altogether," India should try a "faith cure" of the brand suggested by himself. This 'cure', according to him lies in "a belief in the good intentions of the British people and in their genuine desire for a settlement and for the welfare and self-government of the Indian people". Lord Wavell has not explained how such a belief in the "good intentions" of his countrymen can be imparted to Indians, when everything that the British have been doing in respect of India has gone to convey a diametrically opposite impression to the Indian mind. British politicians in official positions have doubtless been dinning into the ears of Indians, *a la* Prof. Cue, that the British Government and British people have nothing but the good of India and Indians at heart but such assurances, though repeated hundreds of times during the past half a century and more, have failed to carry any conviction to the Indian mind for the reason that Indians have not only not seen these professions of goodwill and sympathy translated into positive action but they have many times received stone where they asked for bread and further it has also been their bitter experience to find that many of the countrymen of His Excellency are in India not for India's 'good' but for her 'goods.' A good many of Lord Wavell's countrymen, occupying the highest positions, have had the honesty and courage to confess to the truth of the latter fact.

It is no use Lord Wavell advocating a 'faith cure' of the nature recommended by him when the present head of the British Government has proclaimed to the world what the real intentions of his Government are in respect of India, as of all other colonial possessions of the Empire. Lord Wavell's suggested "remedy", therefore, is bound to fail to commend itself to political India, as it is merely one of the Cue brand. India has passed the age when she could be beguiled by mere confidence tricks. Political India does not want to declare its disbelief in the good intentions of Lord Wavell towards the people of this country but it knows also that only deeds, and not mere intentions, however good and pious, can serve the cause of India. Let him put himself in the position of Indians and try to find out where the shoe pinches them. Let him also try to find out if the ruling classes in his own country are suffering from any complex in their dealing with "non-white" peoples of the Empire and if they do, he should suggest to them the remedy to get rid of it. Political India, after hearing his verdict will be entirely justified in saying to Lord Wavell, "Physician, heal thyself!"

Labour And Churchill's Policy

Presidential strategy, good draftsmanship and evidently an eleventh-hour agreed manoeuvre saved the situation confronting the British Labour Party in connection with the Anglo-Greek crisis. The Chairman, Mr. Harold Laski, virtually vetoed in advance any amendment to the platform resolution calling on the delegates either to vote for or against it. As a delegate pointed out, they desired to express themselves more definitely but could not oppose and reject the resolution. The trouble, however, did not end there and it is interesting to note that Mr. Ernest Bevin's defence of Labour Ministers and the British Government fell flat, convinced no one and possibly increased the irritation of the delegates. He came in for a good deal of criticism. And it appears that the crisis became serious.

But it is at this stage that the manoeuvre was resorted to. Replying to the debate on behalf of the Executive, Mr. Griffiths gave a public undertaking in the shape of four conditions which he laid down for Labour's support. These conditions, which recognise and safeguard the position of EAM in Greece and virtually call for a change in Greek Premiership, constitute the only basis of a satisfactory and just settlement. But they are in conflict with Mr. Churchill's 'policy.' The question is whether the Labour Party Executive expects Mr. Churchill to agree to them even at loss of face for him. If he does, the crisis both in Greece and as regards the British coalition will be resolved. Meanwhile it is interesting to note that the London "Times" supports the Labour Party's stand as represented by Mr. Griffiths in every aspect. If Mr. Churchill remains obstinate, he will do so at grave risk to Britain, Europe and world peace.

Frankly Speaking

Dead And Forgotten

How times change and even international events that shake a whole world vanish into obscurity and nothingness! How few remember today that four years ago, in 1940, there was launched a Berlin-Rome-Tokio Axis, an alliance that was to conquer and change the world? And now? We are indebted to an American correspondent for recalling that event as also a number of other things connected with it. Within a few months Hungary, Rumania, Yugo-Slavia, to drop out quickly, and Bulgaria had attached themselves to the Tripartite Pact. In December 1941, von Ribbentrop could shout that the alliance "will keep the United States of America out of the war and definitely assures a final Axis victory in 1942." Even in 1943 he was claiming that "neither on the East Asiatic front nor in the European theatre will our opponents ever attain their military objectives." Since then much has happened. Rumania and Bulgaria and even Italy herself have gone out leaving a Berlin-Tokio Axis which itself is now a mere theoretical Pact. And as to what is happening on the various fronts, German and Japanese communiques themselves are an eloquent commentary on Axis dreams.

America "Lukewarm"

The American Press is reported to be "lukewarm" as regards the announcement that Britain is placing in the Pacific Theatre an extremely powerful fleet to assist the Americans. This is quite natural. The Americans do not want that assistance. How superfluous it is is revealed in an official announcement just issued in Washington. It deals only with two categories, but it is quite significant. Since the autumn of 1942 when it had only three aircraft carriers left in the Pacific the U.S. has built up a fleet of nearly 100 carriers! And its naval aircraft strength increased sevenfold to a total of 35,575 planes at the end of September 1944. If the British feel hurt at the American reaction, they have their own commonsense to thank for it. Incidentally, in between the lines they would do well to read American understanding of this rather too obvious move.

Railwaymen's Grievances

The strike of the B. B. and C. I. Railwaymen has ended, thanks to the good sense and patience shown by these low-paid workers. Their main grievances, however, remain to be redressed and they should be redressed without any undue delay through red-tape, on grounds of prestige or for any other reason. The workers have agreed to return to duty on the assurance held out by the executive of the All-India Railwaymen's Federation as well as by some of the local officials of the Railway that the Railway Board is considering their grievances and would not fail to redress them. Let us hope the hopes held out do not prove to be illusory. It should be emphasized that the Railway Board would be failing in its duty if it does not bring early relief to the hardpressed workmen.

VIRAMGAUM CUSTOMS CORDON MUST GO

(BY PRAHALAD MEHTA)

The Viramgaum Customs Cordon is much in the news nowadays. The whole of Gujarat and Kathiawar has raised a very powerful agitation over this question of Customs Cordon for the last two months. But, in spite of these vehement protests by public through the press and the platform, the Government have unfortunately still not moved in the matter to redress this urgent and important grievance of our people. To-day (15th Dec.) citizens of Bombay will raise their voice of protest against the unwanted cordon. Students, merchants, gumastas and different trade associations in the city will join together to express their deep resentment at apathy and inaction on the part of the Government in this matter.

Four million residents of Kathiawar have every reason to carry on their fight against this cordon. Since its inception in 1927 the cordon has been a curse to thousands of innocent passengers passing through this small town of Viramgaum. For the fault of a few all have to undergo untold hardships on the station.

In order to carry on their search as soon as the trains arrive on the platforms, hundreds are locked in trains for hours together. When unlocked the passengers have to carry on their luggage by themselves to a long distance for inspection. As the authorities have made no arrangements for this, the porters demand Rs. 5 to 7 from passengers. Naturally most of them cannot afford to pay this amount. Hence when the heavy luggage is being carried some of the passengers fall out of the line due to congestion in the line. The overzealous officials get suddenly wild and begin to abuse insult and even beat the innocent passengers in a most uncivil manner. These incidents are reported every other day. Moreover, when the inspection takes a pretty long time hundreds of travellers miss their trains and hence are detained for two days on the station platform by no fault of theirs!

This system of search causing unnecessary inconvenience to thousands is illegal. Mr. Motilal Setalvad, ex-Advocate General of Bombay observes: "(1) The Customs authorities at Viramgaum are not entitled to lock the train or a whole carriage and confine the passengers for a considerable period. The procedure mentioned being without lawful warrant amounts to the imposition of wrongful confinement and wrongful restraint on the passengers within the meaning of sections 340 and 339 of the Indian Penal Code." This conduct would also amount to an offence within the meaning of section 120 of the Railway Act which makes punishable any interference with the comfort of any passenger by a person upon any part of a railway wilfully and without lawful excuse. (2) A person may be searched only if the officer has reason to believe that such person has dutiable or prohibited goods secreted about his person. Indiscriminate search is not in accordance with the powers conferred on the officer by Section 169.

Undoubtedly the Government cannot defy these legal findings. It is regrettable that the champions of Law and Order have been carrying on this illegal measure for years.

In reality the Viramgaum Customs Cordon has outlived its use now. It had a purpose when the Crown had not entered into arrangements with the States of Kathiawar for the working of their maritime ports. But at present no purpose is served when the Crown is able to exercise complete control over the working of these ports. Moreover, the absence of overseas imports renders the existence of the Customs Cordon superfluous.

ALL-INDIA BADMINTON

SUNIL BOSE SURRENDERS TO DEVINDER MOHAN

Badminton of a spectacular nature was witnessed in the All-India Championship at the Bombay Gymkhana on Thursday evening. In the Men's Singles Sunil Bose Bengal's No. 2, put up a fine show against Devinder Mohan, the holder so much so that the first game was decided after 35 points had been hotly discussed and debated. That practically took the wind out of Bose who surrendered tamely the second game when he found his redoubtable rival 6 points up with his side of the board blank.

WESTERN INDIA CHAMPION BEATEN

Ashok Nath from the Punjab sprang a surprise by defeating S. Dinkar Rao, the Western India Champion, in an overwhelming manner. The local star managed to win the first game rather comfortably. But thereafter the Punjabee had his own way. He conceded only 2 points in each of the next two games to his opponent.

In the Mixed Doubles Rangnekar and Maka Vimadalal accounted for the U. P. combination, Hamiduzzafar and Miss James without any difficulty. But Magwe and Mrs. Malhotra had to go all out to lower the colours of the Lewis family. Frene Talyarkhan and Ashok Nath, on the other hand, succumbed to Suman Deodhar and Sunil Bose without much of a resistance, although they had claimed the first game rather easily.

The following are the results:—

MEN'S SINGLES

B. D. Shroff w. o. K. R. Lotwalla; G. Lewis (Punjab) bt. S. Hamiduzzafar 15-2, 15-12. H. Ferreira (Bombay) bt. B. N. Seth (U. P.) 15-2; 15-9; R. Pereira bt. M. S. Chumble (Baroda) 15-3, 15-10; Prakash Nath (Punjab) bt. B. V. Ullal (Bombay) 15-7, 15-1; Devinder Mohan (Punjab) bt. S. Bose (Bengal) 18-17, 6-0 retd.; Ashok Nath (Punjab) bt. S. Dinkar Rao (Bombay) 7-15, 15-2, 15-2.

WOMEN'S SINGLES

Miss Sunder Deodhar (Poona) bt. Mrs G. Lewis (Punjab) 11-2, 11-4.

MIXED DOUBLES

Miss Chinoy and K. R. Lotwalla w. o. Miss Wagle and G. P. Shirke; Miss M. R. Vimadalal and K. M. Rangnekar bt. Miss James and S. Hamiduzzafar 15-8, 15-9; Mrs. Malhotra and D. G. Magwe bt. Mrs. Lewis and G. Lewis; Miss Suman Deodhar and S. Bose bt. Miss Talyarkhan and Ashok Nath 11-15, 15-2, 15-9; Mrs. Godse and B. V. Ullal bt. Mrs. P. Athaide and V. A. Madgavkar 18-13, 15-9.

Viceroy's Letter To Princes' Chamber

The following is the concluding portion of the Viceroy's reply to the Chancellor of the Princes' Chamber, the first instalment of which was published in yesterday's issue:

His Excellency has taken note of the objection mentioned by his Highness the Raja of Bilaspur that the employment by a number of States of a Joint High Court is an invasion of the sovereignty of the contributing States. His Excellency does not accept this view. He considers on the contrary that a Joint High Court, in the sense in which he understands the term, becomes, the moment it enters the borders of a contributing State, the High Court of that State deriving its rights to administer the laws of the State from the Ruler and from no other source.

His Excellency will always be glad to receive suggestions from the Chamber of Princes or from individual Princes designed to improve co-operative grouping procedure as the latter is at present organized. He cannot, however, agree that the existing experiments which have been initiated after much thought and labour on the part of all concerned, should be suspended while the States try to improve their—sometimes painfully—inadequate administrative arrangements. It has been the subject of discussion for many years past. The plans now put in motion fall far short of what will be necessary if the petty class of Indian States are ever to achieve a reasonably efficient standard of administration. This being the case, his Excellency would be most reluctant to put the clock back and surrender such progress as has been achieved in pursuit of an alternative plan which when it has been worked out, cannot perhaps in the nature of things differ very greatly from the plans which have been evolved and are now under trial in various parts of the country. I am to repeat, however, that these plans are not to be regarded as rigid. They are tentative and subject to revision and readjustment as further experience of the problem is secured. In these tentative inquiries and experiments his Excellency hopes that he will have the support, as he will always welcome the advice, of all those who are anxious to work for the enhancement of the reputation of the Indian States as a whole.

ATTACKS ON PRINCES.

The existing position in this matter is set forth in some detail in the correspondence ending with Sir Kenneth Fitze's letter No.315-P/42, dated the 30th of October, 1942, to your Highness's predecessor in the office of Chancellor. His Excellency has given his best consideration to the deputation's proposal that "early discussions be initiated between representatives of the Crown Department and of the States to which legal advisers of the Government of India may be invited with the object of making effective the safeguards provided in the Government of India Act and the existing provisions of the law on the subject." The difficulties in the way of improving on the present legal position are, however, real and his Excellency doubts whether anything would, in fact, be gained by holding discussions of the kind contemplated at the present time. I am to assure your Highness, however, that this aspect of the Crown's relations with the Indian States will continue to receive his Excellency's watchful attention and that he will at all times use his best endeavours to protect the Rulers of Indian States whether from baseless agitation against individual States directed from British India or from scurrilous attacks in the British Indian Press. Actually his Excellency is inclined to think that with the now rising standard of administration in the Indian States occasions for such attacks on the Princes and on their Governments may with the passage of time decrease. On their side his Excellency is confident that the Princes will, by wise government in their own areas, contribute to this most desirable result.

ATTACHMENT SCHEME.

His Excellency has read the summary of the deputation's representations about the attachment scheme with much care. In the first place, he desires me to remind your Highness that the problem presented by the existence of a large number of petty Indian States is both complex and pressing. The Crown Representative has during the last year been so impressed with the necessity—in the interest of all the Indian States—of finding a solution for this problem that he is inclined to regard this subject as perhaps the most important of the issues now confronting the British Crown in its relations with the Indian States. That a complete or permanent solution of the problem will be found either through the co-operative grouping expedient or by the process of attachment cannot yet be categorically affirmed, but so serious are the consequences of a failure to find a satisfactory solution that his Excellency looks with confidence to the Princes for support and advice in this effort to find such a solution. The deputation led by your Highness made the following principal requests:

(a) that the Instruments of Attachment be revised in consultation with the representatives of attaching and attached States; and

(b) that no further extension of the scheme of attachment be permitted.

As regards the first of these requests, I am to say that the Crown Representative has under his consideration certain proposals affecting the text of the Instruments of Attachment and that as soon as his Excellency has reached a definite conclusion on these proposals their purport will, if necessary, be communicated to the States concerned—both attaching and attached. As to the second request, as your Highness is aware, the scope of the India (Attachment of State) Act is specifically restricted to certain States in the Western India and Gujarat States Agencies. I am to inform your Highness that there is no intention of promoting legislation to admit of its application in other agencies.

The question of the industrial policy of the Central Government as it affects the Indian States has since been the subject of discussion between representatives of the States and of the Central Government. His Excellency trusts that as a result of these discussions the doubts to which the deputation gave expression will be resolved and that the Indian States will be enabled to play their full part in the post-war development of industrial and other activities in the country.

COURT OF ARBITRATION

The specific suggestions which the deputation had to offer on this subject were:

(a) that there should be systematic recourse to procedure embodied in the resolution of 1920 when dealing with dynastic rights and with questions of gross misrule and

(b) that where the issues are justifiable or relate to fiscal economic or financial matters including the interpretation of treaties and agreements, recourse should be had as of right to a Court of Arbitration.

His Excellency desires me to say that he has considered both these suggestions with the care which they deserve but that he is unable to accept them. This subject has been frequently discussed in the past and for various reasons into which it is not necessary to enter here, it has always been thought inadvisable to limit the discretion which vests in the Crown Representative under the 1920 resolution as the text of this resolution stands at the present time. In the prevailing uncertainty—constitutional and otherwise—his Excellency is not prepared to depart from this view and he regrets that in this particular matter it is not possible for him to accede to the wishes of the deputation.

POST-WAR RECONSTRUCTION

The problem of co-ordinating post-war development objectives as between the Central Government and the Indian States has also since been the subject of discussion between your representatives and those of the Central Government. In the circumstances and pending the conclusion of these discussions it is not possible for the Crown Representative to comment in any profitable way on the suggestions made by the deputation. I am to assure you, however, that the Crown Representative recognizes this problem as one of very real importance and that it is receiving—and will continue to receive—his close personal attention.

TREATY RIGHTS

In connection with Treaty Rights the deputation offered the suggestion that "some effective machinery should be set up to ensure that Treaty Rights shall not be overridden. For this purpose the Princes requested His Excellency to set up some sort of machinery whereby the views of Princes through a few representatives selected by His Excellency—including the Chancellor—are placed before him before His Excellency decided to take formal action in the exercise of the powers of the Crown vis-a-vis the States—particularly in such matters as directly affect the Princes or where policies affecting the States in general are proposed to be laid down."

Lacking any details beyond its proposed composition His Excellency is unable to form any clear idea of the matters which would be discussed with the proposed "permanent committee." On receipt of further details, however, His Excellency will give this proposal his careful consideration. In the meantime, I am to state that there has been no change in the policy of His Majesty's Government towards the Indian Princes since Sir Kenneth Fitze wrote in his letter No. F. 376-P/42, dated the 4th of January, 1943, to the Pro-Chancellor of the time that "the Indian Princes may rest assured that the fulfilment of the fundamental obligations arising out of their treaties and Sanads remain an integral part of His Majesty's Government's policy. ....." I should, of course add what your Highness already well knows, that the interpretation of the text of relevant treaties has long been affected by usage and sufferance and has in the nature of things to be related to the necessities of changing times. The concern of His Majesty's Government and of the Crown Representative for the status and interests of the Indian Princes remains, however, unchanged and as deep as ever and in his Excellency's view it is in this fact that the Princes will find their best safeguard.—"Hindustan Times."

WAVELL PRESCRIBES 'FAITH CURE' FOR INDIA

(Continued from page 1)

possible tendency in our plans to stress industrial advance at the expense of agriculture and emphasised the need to take warning of the miseries caused to many for the profit of a few by too rapid and uncontrolled industrialisation. After alluding to conditions in Britain a hundred years ago and to Russia, His Excellency said:

"India cannot go back to the spinning wheel, and must develop her industry but she should consider well these and other examples of the price that may be paid in human health and life for too hasty or too greedy industrialisation".

For the immediate future, he added, our system of planning must be to see what we require for each of our many needs, for improvements in agriculture, for developments in industry, for the betterment of health, for the advance of education and so on. This was the method on which we were working. One direction in which progress could be made at once was in training the many technicians and experts India would require.

HOW STERLING DEBTS WILL BE HONOURED

The Viceroy expressed entire confidence that the Sterling Debts would be honoured.

"But", he said, "that does not of course mean to say that India will at once after the war receive a payment of so many hundred millions in cash.

She could not spend such a sum in the international market, if she did. The manner of payment of international debts incurred during the war will require much discussion and negotiation. I am quite confident that in these negotiations the value and magnitude of India's contribution to the Allied war effort will be recognised; that her needs will be considered; and that the manner of liquidation will be arranged to meet her planned development. I do not see that political considerations need affect the settlement".

"I believe", the Viceroy declared, "there is a cordial spirit of co-operation towards Indian business at present in Great Britain and the sooner that representatives get together the better. I am, therefore, sorry that it has not yet been possible for the projected visit of Indian industrialists to the United Kingdom to be carried out. I hope that it will not be delayed much longer."

BENGAL VICTIMS— WAR CASUALTIES?

Following are excerpts from Viceroy's speech:

My first year as Viceroy has been a strenuous one and I am afraid I see little sign of the second being less so.

I regret that in present conditions it is still impossible for me to make the Viceroy's usual winter stay of some weeks in Calcutta. My house is, as you know, occupied for war purpose.

I yield to no one in my admiration of the Russian Army. But don't let us be too modest about our own performances. Surely, if there ever was a feat of arms which might be called incredible it was the landing on the Normandy coast, the great victory over the flower of the German Army, and the liberation of the whole of France and Belgium in such a surprisingly short time.

On the eastern frontier of India we have won the greatest land victory as yet achieved over the Japanese forces, and have established complete supremacy over them.

"HARD TO BELIEVE."

I am aware of the difficult conditions of passenger travel. The fact, however, that the number of passengers travelling has increased by about 20 million a month, or 36 per cent since the early part of 1942—and this in spite of a "travel only when you must" campaign—shows that the conditions do not deter passengers. It is a little difficult to believe that all these journeys are absolutely essential.

It is an inappropriate phrase, but I think it is true that the coal outlook is less black than it was.

If we are to produce all the coal we need for industrial development after the war, it must be worth a man's while to become a whole-time miner; even after the ban on women working below ground has been re-imposed.

India will be in a very favourable position to face the problems of the post-war world. Her land has not been devastated; her losses in personnel have been comparatively light even if we reckon the deaths in the Bengal famine as war casualties; these war losses have been more than balanced, taking a purely utilitarian point of view, by the numbers of her people who have received technical training as a result of the war; financially she has become a creditor instead of a debtor country.

WHAT IS NATIONAL GOVT.

It is commonly said that our current and post-war problems can only be solved by a National Government, but the precise meaning of the term is seldom or never defined. I am afraid that to some a National Government may mean a Government in which their own particular party is in power. I think of a National Government as one formed to meet a national crisis, in which "none are for a party but all are for the state," to quote Macaulay's "Lays of Ancient Rome."

I contend what we have such a Government now, a preponderantly India Government.

I think India should be grateful to her countrymen in the Government for the courage and skill they are showing. I here express to them my thanks for their work.

TETE-A-TETE

WITHOUT COMMENT:—

"The Times" to-day openly states that the British policy in Greece has failed. In an editorial the paper declares: "The attempt to establish law and order by means of the Papandreou Government backed by British arms, but with a writ that runs scarcely anywhere outside the centre of Athens, has been a failure."

REUTER.

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Lord Wavell, who started his Viceroyalty—a tribute to tradition and history? as a sort of commercial traveller with a hand bag, has now changed his metaphorical role to that of a medical adviser, but with the same loyalty to tradition and history.

He has diagnosed India's malady and has prescribed the remedy, reject Pakistan, "Quit India" and Satyagraha and try as an alternative "a faith cure, a belief in the good intentions of the British people....."

But the trouble is that India has already gone through a long course of that kind of confidence treatment and has naturally become quite allergic to it.

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According to a London report, "feelings ran high when the Labour Party Conference to-day discussed the policy in Greece."

Eventually, feelings made a safe and smooth landing.

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"The British Empire (sic) cannot abandon its position in the Mediterranean"—Mr Ernest Bevin, Member, British War Cabinet.

And Mr Bevin is a leading "Labour Socialist" of Britain.

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India as part and main parcel of the British Empire" ought to feel grateful and honoured by the things done so considerately and single-mindedly for its sake in distant Mediterranean.

And the Mediterranean countries, Greece, Egypt, Palestine, etc., ought to feel grateful to "the Empire", but for which they would not be receiving the undoubted blessings of British attention.

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Meanwhile, ELAS and EAM must go in the exclusive name of Greek democracy because "the British Empire cannot abandon its position in the Mediterranean."

And that's that; which is short for the liberation of the cat from the bag.

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In a recent speech, General Smuts proclaims himself deeply troubled about "the aspects of complex human situation in South Africa."

What really troubles him is the aspects of a clear un-human situation in South Africa which he cannot conceal.

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The Tokio Radio has announced that bombs have fallen in the Japanese Imperial Palace grounds in Tokio, damaging the manor.

That comes of having forgotten one's own: glass house.

POINTED PARAGRAPHS

The man who poses as a lion in society usually is a bear at home.

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No matter what a girl's political belief may be, she always wants protection.

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A man seldom likes to meet another man who has a fad for collecting bills.

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Fine clothes do not make the woman, but they sometimes break the husband.

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It isn't wise to bet on the unexpected just because you hear that it always happens.

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If there were no other fools in the world we would be more dissatisfied without ourselves than ever.

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Keep your hands off that Milk!

Pause a moment, dear sir, before you grab that glass of milk. Look over at the child at the other end of the table. It needs the milk more badly than you do. You can eat more vegetables, pulses, bread but the child can live and grow only on milk.

And don't say that you have means enough to buy milk both for you and your child. Be a little unselfish and look at those less fortunate families who on account of the present high prices cannot give enough milk to their children. The Government's milk-for-children scheme also needs milk.

You can help that scheme and the children outside its scope by sacrificing your share and letting them have it.

SPARE ALL THE MILK YOU CAN FOR CHILDREN

They need it most

A.A.S./5

Further Improvement In Share Bazar

BULLION MAINTAINS FIRM CONDITION

Cotton Reacts After Steady Opening

BOMBAY, December 14.

The Share Bazar ruled firm to-day under the influence of further currency expansion. The steady rise induced some realising which was well taken up.

Bullion market again ruled firm on inflation theory where large amounts of money are hedged with purchases of white and yellow metals.

Cotton market opened firm but in the absence of important support, prices reacted but lower levels attracted professional support.

The Share Bazar firmed up to-day again under renewed buying in Tata Steel Defd shares which are firmly held by professional operators. Ordinary shares move in sympathy while Cotton Mill shares are moving within a narrow range without any definite price tendency. Abundant supply of money and increase in note circulation is likely to alter the general conception of dividend earnings. This fact is bound to tell ultimately if note circulation keeps on increasing. After all money must have some earning capacity and large amounts will not left idle in due course. Tata Steel Defds opened very steady at Rs. 2250 and improved to Rs. 2265. Ordinary shares opened at Rs. 404 and improved to Rs. 406. Bombay Dyeing shares opened at Rs. 1852 and after declining to Rs. 1840 advanced to Rs. 1855. Kohinoor Mill shares were quoted at Rs. 622 and tone was steady.

Gold And Silver

With the increase of Rs. 13 crores in note issue, during the week, there was renewed feeling of inflation in the market coupled with active buying. There is more disposition to hedge money with purchases of either Gold and Silver. The Reserve Bank sold 300 bars Silver at Rs. 125/13 and 75,000 tolas Gold was sold at Rs. 66/9. The forward market opened today at Rs. 125/8 for Silver and advanced to Rs. 126/8 under moderate buying and short covering and later quotation steadied at Rs. 126/4. Ready Silver was quoted at Rs. 127. Forward Gold opened at Rs. 66/8 and after advancing to Rs. 66/14 steadied at Rs. 66/12 and ready Gold was placed at Rs. 67. Tone was very steady.

The market ruled very steady throughout the session and closed as under:—

Ready Gold Rs. 67, Settlement Rs. 66/14. Ready silver Rs. 126/11. Forward Rs. 126/6.

Bombay Cotton

The local cotton market opened steady at Rs. 436/8 for March delivery and advanced to Rs. 437/8 under moderate buying. The improvement induced some liquidation and March declined to Rs. 434 and steadied at Rs. 435 as compared with other commodities cotton prices are very attractive and with a good outlook and we prefer purchases on all setbacks. This year the crop is comperatively small aid hedge selling will not prove too heavy to depress prices which are already ruling at an uneconomic level

There was steady selling pressure and March declined to Rs. 430. At this level there was some professional support and March improved Rs. 434. The market again ruled quiet and closed at 6 p.m. at under:—

I.C.C. March	430 12 0
I.C.C. May	440 0 0

COTTON PARITY.

Indian Cotton March contract is 512 cent points below New York March at Exchange rate 331.

HIGH & LOW COTTON PRICES.

Bombay, Dec. 13.

	Hi.	Lo.	Close.
I.C.C. March	414/8	431	434/8
I.C.C. May	443	439/8	442/12
Karachi March	44/0/9	43/6	43/11

PROMPT STOPPAGE OF DECEMBER TENDERS IN NEW YORK COTTON MARKET.

NEW YORK, Dec. 13.

Near months advanced on price-fixing against textile awards with the prompt stoppage of the bulk of 14 notices inducing covering in December. Far distant deliveries lagged, reflecting possibilities of eventual changes in Government policies as a result of the recent conference hearings. The session closed steady. December delivery opened at about the lowest level of the day at 21.81 and advanced to 21.86. The market closed at a net rise of 6 points to a decline of 3 points. Spot Cotton price was reduced one point at 22.31 c. per lb.

NEW YORK COTTON

NEW YORK, Dec. 13.

December	21.86+06
January	21.84+06
March	21.94+01
May	21.89+05
July	21.53—
October	20.64—03
Dec. Highest (2-53 p m)	21.86+06
Dec. Lowest (10 a m)	21.81+01
Middling Spot	22.31—01

NEW ORLEANS COTTON

December 21.75+03 March 21.90—02
Middling Spot 21.40

NOON CALL

December 21.82 March 21.86 May 21.89

LONDON BULLION.

London, Dec. 13.

Spot 23-1/2, Forward 23-1/2. Gold Bars Fine per oz £8-8-0.

LONDON EXCHANGES.

London, Dec. 13.

T. T. London on:—

New York sellers 4.02-1/2, buyers 4.03-1/2; Madrid official 44.00, Montreal sellers 4.43, buyers 4.47, Zurich sellers 17.3, buyers 17.4, Stockholm sellers 16.85, buyers 16.95.

LONDON WHEAT.

London, Dec. 13.

Wheat Rozario Santa Fe (new crop) 41 December quoted, Wheat Australian (bulk) 45 Dec.-Jany. quoted, Wheat Australian (bags) 46 Dec.-Jany. quoted.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE.

London, Dec. 13.

Rupee Paper 3-1/2 p c £73, Consols 2-1/2 p c £81-5/8, Conversion Loan 3-1/2 p c 1961 £106-1/16, War Loan 3-1/2 p c £104, Funding Loan 4 p c 1960/90 £113-5/8, Victory Bonds 4 p c £113-3/4, Chartered Bank of I. A. & China £10-7/8, Hongkong & Shanghai Bank (London reg.) £84, National Bank of India £42-3/4.

BOMBAY PRODUCE.

BOMBAY, Dec. 14.

The local market was quietly steady with a moderate business. Groundnuts Goa were placed at Rs. 14/10 and quality business was done at Rs 14/2. Bombay Bold were quoted at Rs. 13/8. Castorseeds were quoted at Rs. 15/12 and Goa January-March was quoted at Rs. 15. Linseed C. P. and U. P. was quoted at Rs. 15/8 while Mogiai G. I. P. was quoted at Rs. 15.

MADRAS SHARE BAZAR.

MADRAS, Dec. 14.

Deccan (10) 37/8, Deccan (25) 92, India Sugar 34, Mysore Sugar 61, South India 16/2, Travancore 15/12.

PLANTINGS:

Balmadies 1/15, Blue Mountains 1/10/6, Cochin Malabar 17/3, Chembra Peaks 10/14, Coorg 71/8, Fringfords 16, High Produce 34/8, Kalasa 75/1, Do. 15/4, Midland 13/2, Nellimpathy 1/5/6, Ouchterlony 12/8, Peermade 50/14, Pullangodes 3/3, Thorunbadi 4/15, Vaikundam 22, Waterfalls 1/13.

TEXTILES:

Aaron Spg. 13/5, Bangalore Wool 463/6, B. and C. Ordy 325, Cambodia 33, Coimbatore Spg. 164, Janardhana 151, Kaleswar 725, Mettur 272, Madura 70, Vasantha 312.

MISCELLANEOUS:

A. Cement 119/8, Bruntons 14/4 Mysore Chem. and Fert 30/10, Mysore Paper 25/12, Mysore Chem. Mfrs 39/3, Mettur Chem. 16/10, Mettur Chem. Dfd. 6/3.

CALCUTTA SHARE MARKET.

CALCUTTA, Dec. 14.

The market ruled better on good buying support and the speculative engineering issues in particular, and Coal Shares shewed further advances while others remained steady. Government Securities were unchanged:—

3 p c Victory Bonds 1957 99/14, 3 p c Loan 1966/68 98/5, 3-1/2 p c Govt. Paper 100/1, Benares Cotton 13/8, Cawnpore Textile 13, Dunbar 309, Elgin Mills 65/8, Kesoram 16/13, New Victoria Ordy 7/11, Do. (Pref.) 9/10, Bhalgora 16/8 S L, Bokaro and Ramgur 44/4, Burrakur 42/6, Deoli 17/5, North Damuda 13/2, Ondal 25, Raneegunge 53/12, Samla 9/6, South Karanpura 26/9, Bengal 6/4, Equitable 68/2, Khas Kajora 36/8, New Beerbhoom 38/10, Taicher 11/4, Anglo-India 456, Bally 350 S. Lot, Howrah 82/15, Presidency 10/12, Barnagore 213 S. Lot, Champdany 261, Gourepore 832 S. Lots Ex. Div., India 690 Ex. Div., Megna 116/8 Ex. Div. Reliance 67/8 C. T., Burma Corpn. 4/7, Rhodesia Copper 2/4, Karanpura Dev 33, Dalmia Cement 17/3, Braith. waite and Co. 12/4, Burn and Co. 420. Indian Iron 40/7, Jessop and Co. 24/4, National Iron 13/6, Saran Eng. 10, Steel Corpn Ordy 34/10, Do. (Pref. 140 S. Lot., Alluminium Corpn 17/6, Barsree Coke 34/12, Calcutta Trams 52, Indian National Airways (Prefd. Ord) 22/4 Cum. Div. Rohtas Industries 38 C. Right, British Burma Petroleum 3/15, India Paper Pulp 220, Titaghur Paper 28/3, Midnapore Zemindary 172, Darbhanga 29/10, Dyer Meakin Breweries 16/6, New Savan 20/6, Portabpore 24/2, Bateli 18, Bishnauth 44, Central Cachar 109/8, East India 17/10, Ledo 220 S. Lots, Methoni 12/14, North Western Cachar 351, T. Rutema 17/8, Sapoi 22/6

RECORD OF ACTUAL TRANSACTIONS IN SHARES

BOMBAY, Dec. 14.

MILLS.

Apollo 4/3 4/4 4/3
Bharat 65 66/4
Bombay Dyeing 1855 43/12 53/12 46/-, 52/8 48/12 51/8 46/4 48/12 42/8 46/4 46
Central India Ord 416 11/8 15/8 13/8 16/8 12/8 13
Bradbury Ord 345
Century 835
Colaba 230 29 32/8 31/8
India United Defd 3/3/6 3/2/9 3/3/6 3/3
India United Ord 15/12 15/11 15/12/6 15/12 15/13 15/11
Indore 190 95 86 95 80
Edward 795 90 97/8
Elphinstone Ord 88/8 89
Elphinstone Pref 128/12 26/4 27/8
Finlay 309/8 13 10 12 11 13 10 11 10/8
Gokak 314 16 13 15 13
Khatau 360 58/2
Kohinoor 621 20 21 17 20 17 21 18 22 120 24 19 20 13 19 16
Madhusudan 450
Meyer 221/4 22/8 21/4 23/12 23/2
Model 200
Morarjee 700 702/8 700
New City 397/8
New Great 415 17/8 13 16 14 19 13 14
Podar 360
Sassoon Cotton 23/4 23
Simplex 277 78/8 75 78 76 77/8 76/8 79 74/8 76
Swadeshi 575 76 71 72 70 74 72 75 68 69
Swan 325 28/8 25/8 26 25
Tata Mill Ord 71/4 71 71/8 71 71/4
Vishnu Cotton 490 82/8
Central Provinces Rly 103

BANKS

Baroda 137/8
Central 83 82/12 82
Hanib 82
Imperial Ord 2020 17/8
Imperial New 503/12
India 191 90/8
International 56/8
Reserve 134/8 34

ELECTRIC.

Ahmedabad 221/14
Amalgamated 17/4
Andhra Ord. 1797/8
Tramways Ord. 150 51 50/8
Tramways Pref. 71
Surat 216/4
Tata Hydro Ord. 207/8 8 7/8
Tata Power Ord. 1885 87/8 85 87/8

INSURANCE.

Jupiter 33
New India 81/4
Vulcan 17/12
Scindia 35/2 35/6 34/14 35/3 34/11 35/1 34/13
Tata Steel Defd. 2252/8 65 53/12 62/8 58/12 67/8 62/8 67/8 65 68/12 56/4 60 47/8 50 48/12
Tata Steel Ord. 403/8 5/8 4/8 5 4 5/8 4/8 6 3
Tata Steel 2nd Pref. 163/8 64 63/12

MISCELLANEOUS.

Alcock 451/4
Associated Cement 242/8 42, 4 43 42/12 43/12 43/8
Belapur 235 37 36
Bombay Burma Old 491/4
B. B. Petrol 3/14 3 3/14/6 3/14 3/14/3
Indian Bleaching 182 84
I. I. Trust 125
Port Canning 110
Premier Construction Ord. 212 13 12/8 13/8 12/8
Shivrajpur 60 59/8
Tata Chemical Ord. 21
Tata Oil 73 74
Neptune Insurance 11/1 11/2
Mackenzies 141 42/8
New Union 26

BOMBAY RACES

WINTER MEETING—7th DAY

SATURDAY, 16TH DECEMBER, 1944

(THE IDAR GOLD CUP and C. N. WADIA GOLD CUP)

DAY TICKETS:

1st Enclosure	Gentlemen	Rs. 3-0-0
	Ladies	„ 2-0-0
2nd Enclosure		„ 1-4-0

SEASON TICKET:

(Excluding Hospital Day and War Fund Meetings.)

Gentlemen	Rs. 50-0-0
Ladies	„ 25-0-0

One per cent. Tote Commission will be donated to the Bombay War Gifts Fund from the racing public and the R.W.I.T.C. will contribute an equal amount from its funds.

All N.C.O.'s and men of H.M.'s and Allied Forces in uniform will be admitted to the 1st and 2nd enclosure at half price.

RACING UNDER IDEAL CONDITIONS

SUPPORT TO SAPRU COMMITTEE

ALLAHABAD, Dec. 13.

The Council of the Servants of India Society which met here on December 11 and 12 has passed a resolution stressing the immediate necessity of releasing the members of the Congress Working Committee and other Congressmen who are either in gaol or in detention and who have not been convicted of any violent acts.

While the Council has felt for a long time that the Government could have done so without any risk of peace and order in the country being disturbed, the expediency of this course of action has been conclusively proved by Mahatma Gandhi's advice to Congressmen not to start a civil disobedience campaign in the present circumstances, his unequivocal condemnation of sabotage and his suggestion to those who have gone underground to uncover themselves.

The Council greatly deplores that the efforts so far made to bring about unity have not succeeded. While desiring that adequate protection should be given to every minority, the Council is unable to accept the demands put forward by the Muslim League.

It hopes that the committee established under the Chairmanship of Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru will be able to propound solutions which will command the assent of reasonable sections in every community and provide a solid basis for framing a constitution which will enable India to achieve full self-government.

"The Council also hopes that this committee will explore the means for the establishment of a provisional national government at the centre on the basis of a working agreement between all communities and for the restoration of popular government in those provinces in which section 93 of the Government of India Act is in force.

It appears to the Council that the best means of achieving this end is to hold general elections."

Another resolution passed by the council conditions the recent development in South Africa and says:

"The council approves the enforcement by the Government of India of the rules made under the Reciprocity Act against South African nationals in India but is strongly of the view that this step by itself is not at all adequate to meet the needs of the situation.

The Council is of opinion that the Government of India should enforce economic sanctions against South Africa and recall the High Commissioner for India in South Africa in order to give effective expression to the resentment of the country against the policy of the Union Government.

Note Issue Reaches Record level of Rs. 9.9 Crores

An Account pursuant to the Reserve Bank of India Act, 1934, for the week ended the 8th December 1944

ISSUE DEPARTMENT

LIABILITIES

Notes held in the Banking Department Rs. 5,25,50,000; Notes in circulation Rs. 989,81,96,000. Total Notes issued Rs. 995,21,46,000

ASSETS

A. Gold Coin and Bullion:—

(a) held in India Rs. 44,41,43,000; Sterling Securities Rs. 880,32,53,000; Total of A Rs. 930,74,32,000; B. Rupee Coin Rs. 10,69,09,000; Government of India Rupee Securities Rs. 57,84,05,000; Total Assets Rs. 995,21,46,000

Ratio of Total of A to Liabilities: 93.422 per cent.

ORISSA TREASURY BILLS.

Tenders for Rs. 50,00,000—(Rupees fifty lakhs only) of three months Government of Orissa Treasury Bills were opened on Wednesday, the 13th December. Total amount covered was Rs 1,26,00,000—(rupees one crore twenty-six lakhs only).

Tenders at Rs. 99-13-9 were allotted approximately 28 p.c. Lower tenders were rejected. Total amount accepted was Rs. 50,00,000—(rupees fifty lakhs only) the average rate of accepted tenders being Re. 0-9-0 per cent per annum.

IMPERIAL BANK OF INDIA.

Statement of the Affairs of the Imperial Bank of India on the 8th December 1944:—

LIABILITIES.

CAPITAL:—Rs. 5,62,50,000; Reserve Fund Rs. 5,92,50,000; Fixed Deposit, Savings Bank, Current and other Accounts Rs. 235,85,72,000; Sundries Rs. 1,81,48,000. Total Rs. 249,22,20,000.

ASSETS.

INVESTMENTS:—Government Securities Rs. 147,56,30,000; Other Authorised Investments Rs. 3,91,56,000; ADVANCES: Loans Rs. 10,90,66,000; Cash Credits and Overdrafts Rs. 43,22,79,000; Bills Discounted and Purchased Rs. 4,20,47,000; Dead Stock Rs. 1,66,24,000; Sundries Rs. 1,54,26,000; CASH: In hand and with the Reserve Bank of India Rs. 34,67,82,000. Balances with other Banks Rs. 1,52,10,000. Total Rs. 249,22,20,000.

MONEY MARKET.

BOMBAY, Dec. 14.

LONDON: Banks buying 90 days/st. 1/6 1/4 1 and 2 months, 1/6 9/32 3 to 6 months.

B. C. RATES: T T 1/5 15/16 D D 1/5 15/16.

Banks selling T T 1/5 31/32 D D 1/5 31/32.

Banks buying T T 1/6 1/32 D D 1/6 1/8.

LDN/NEW YORK:

Banks selling T T Rs. 332 3/4 D D Rs. 332 3/4

Banks buying T T Rs. 329 1/2 D D Rs. 327

LDN/MONTREAL:

Banks selling T T Rs. 302 1/2 D D Rs. 302 1/2.

Banks buying T T Rs. 297 3/4 D D Rs. 295 1/4.

Tone of Sterling Exchange:—Dull.

Reserve Bank Rate 3 p.c. Bank of England Rate 2 p.c.

Money:—Call, one and two months 1/4 p.c. 3 to 5 months 1/2 p.c. 6 to 11 months 3/4 p.c. 12 months 1 1/4 p.c.

Tone:—Very Easy.

SMUTS SEES NEED FOR RACIAL UNITY

Says Better Relation Between Europeans And Others Necessary For Future Progress

PORT ELIZABETH, Dec. 13.

Referring to South Africa's racial problems, Marshal Smuts in a speech said that he was deeply troubled about "the aspects of complex human situation in South Africa."

Marshal Smuts added: "We have colour questions that cause us very deep concern. My hope is that just as we have been solving questions that have kept the European races in this country divided, we may come to see that there is a field for better relationships between the Europeans and other races in this country.

My view is that there will be such development, such progress in this country that there will be a place for everybody I don't think that even taking the coloured and African populations together with the White population we have manpower to deal with the progress lying ahead. We shall learn that all and more than we have, are wanted—of whatever colour."

PATHER RELEASED

DURBAN: On an order from the Minister of Justice, Mr. P. R. Pather, Joint Secretary of the Natal Indian Congress who had been sentenced on November 3 to two months hard labour for contravention of the Pegging Act has been released. The day before his release his wife and six children vacated the house in question under an ejectment order served on her on December 5, and they are temporarily accommodated in the Indian Goodwill Club.

Mr. Pather attended a meeting of the Natal Indian Congress at which it was decided to boycott the Natal Indian Judicial Commission (Broome Commission) from which Mr. A. I. Kajee and Mr. S. R. Naidoo, the two Indian members, have resigned.—

Penicillin Distribution Board

NEW DELHI, Dec 13.

The Government of India have constituted a board to direct and regulate distribution of penicillin in the country. The board comprises of five members with the Director-General of Indian Medical Service as Chairman. It will be recalled that a considerable quantity of penicillin was arrived in India and is available in Bombay, Calcutta, Karachi, Madras and Delhi.—United Press.

TEACHERS TO GO ON 48-HOUR HUNGER-STRIKE

SURAT, Dec 13: The question of going on a 48-hour fast to mark their opposition to the 'gross injustice" of the Surat Municipality in the matter of their dearness allowance is under the consideration of the Primary Teachers' Association of Surat. A meeting of the Association has been called to meet on December 18 to decide this question. The decision will affect 450 teachers, including about 100 women teachers. About 400 primary teachers observed a 24-hour fast on December 3 in connection with their demand for higher dearness allowance and pay. —A. P.

DACOITY IN NADIAD VILLAGE

(From Our Correspondent)

NADIAD, Dec. 13.

Yesterday night dacoits raided the village of Billodra near Nadiad and a free fight ensued between village guards and dacoits. Eight were injured, but the dacoits made good their escape with big booty.

INDUSTRIAL ADVISER TO INDIA GOVT.

(From Our Correspondent)

NEW DELHI, Dec. 13,

Mr. B. K. Kripalani, lately Dewan of Bikaner, is to be appointed Industrial Adviser to the Government of India I learn. He succeeds Mr. Vasugar.

YARN MARKET RULES FIRM.

BOMBAY, Dec. 13.

The yarn market continues to remain firm and fairly steady during the week under review and whilst prices have not shown any material change the scarcity of all counts of yarns particularly of the medium and fine count yarns continues as ever before. Consumers including the handloom weavers as well as the powerloom factories are not able to secure their requirements except in very small quantities and the difficulty of supplies has been continuing as before. Some coarse count yarns are available from the local market but even there it is difficult to get sufficient supplies. Reports from almost all important consuming districts all over the country go to show that the scarcity of yarns is found everywhere and that the consumers have been finding it very difficult to secure sufficient supplies of yarn. It is reported that some steps are being taken by the Provincial Controllers and District Magistrates in several places to freeze some quantities of yarn for the purpose of making them available to genuine consumers but such stray and irregular methods are not found satisfactory and although some quantities may be available to some consumers the general condition remains yet unsatisfactory. In Southern India the situation seems to be somewhat satisfactory but not beyond difficulties. In the North some yarns were available during the last few weeks but once again the situation has been getting more difficult. In Bengal the situation continues to remain yet unsatisfactory, and no steps of radical nature are yet taken by the Provincial Controller to satisfy the consumers. On the whole situation can be said to be generally unsatisfactory all over the country so far as the supplies of yarn to consumers are concerned. It is satisfactory to find that in Bombay Association of yarn quota holders has been formed with a view to bring about fair and equitable distribution of yarn to the consumers and to eradicate black market practices that have been going on for the last several weeks.

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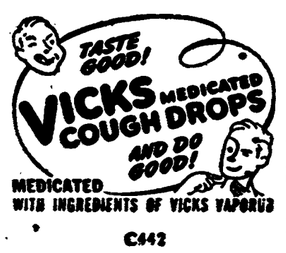

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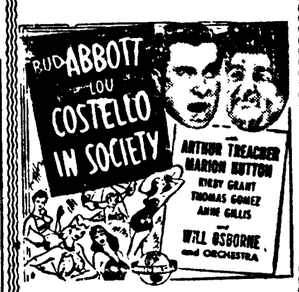
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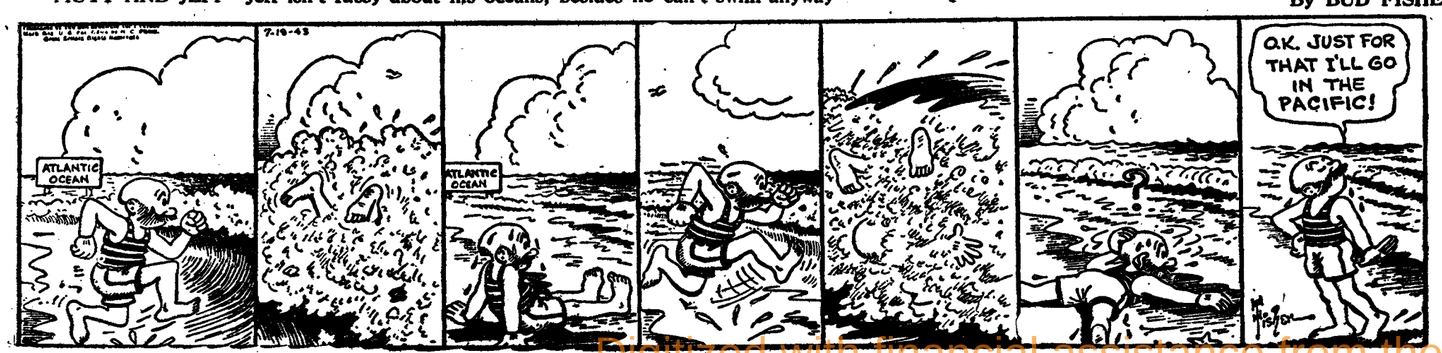
By BUD FISHER



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PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE TO COMMON JURORS.

MEMBERS of the Common Jury, summoned for the current Criminal Sessions are required to attend the High Court, on Friday, the 15th December, 1944 at 11-15 A. M. (S.T.).

SHANTIDAS ASKURAN.
Sheriff of Bombay.
Bombay, 14th December, 1944.
(1391)

PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE.

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED by the Chief Medical Officer, Tata Iron and Steel Company Ltd. Jamshedpur, for the post of Dental Mechanic with knowledge of Gold work on Rs. 60|- per month plus Profit Sharing Bonus which has averaged 2.1|2 to 3 months salary in the past and usual Dearness and Emergency allowances.

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(1390)

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION BOMBAY-SIND.

APPLICATIONS are invited by 31-1-1945 for the post of STATISTICIAN DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, Bombay. PAY.—Rs. 300-900 (Rs. 250 during first two years), for new entrants, and Rs. 320-1,200 for those already in Class I plus war allowance. Higher pay may be given. Age.—Ordinarily not more than 35 (45 in the case of Bombay Government servants) years on 1-4-1945. QUALIFICATIONS.—1st class M.A., M.Sc or Ph.D. degree in Mathematics of a recognised university with a sound knowledge of the application of modern statistical methods to agronomic problems OR a 1st class M.Sc. or Ph.D. (Science) degree with special training or diploma in statistical methods and good administrative ability. Application form supplied on receipt of large addressed envelope with 3½ annas stamps and UNCROSSED Indian Postal Order for Re. 1 payable to "Secretary, Bombay-Sind Public Service Commission" Bombay who will supply full details on request.

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NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Temporary Receipt No. 3113|3069 for 100 shares Nos. 150240|244; 75200|219; 34166|175; 124165|179; 71679|633; 54916|930; 92753|772; 87433|447 of the Vulcan Insurance standing in the name of Mrs. Savtri Chuhardas Chandvani is LOST or MISLAID. Any claim in respect of the above receipt should be notified to the above company within 15 days from the date hereof; otherwise original share certificates will be delivered to the undersigned shareholder.

(Sd.) Mrs. SAVTRI CHUHARDAS CHANDVANI,
Dated, December 12, 1944.
(1376 A)

THE INDIAN MACHINE TOOL MANUFACTURING CO., LIMITED

NOTICE

IS HEREBY GIVEN that the SIXTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Shareholders of the Indian Machine Tool Manufacturing Company, Ltd., will be held at the Registered Office of the Company at 2, Royal Exchange Place, Calcutta, at 12 A.M. on Saturday the 30th December, 1944 to transact the following business:—

1. To receive and adopt the Director's and Managing Agent's Report and audited Balance Sheet and Profit & Loss Account for the year ended 31st March, 1944.
2. To declare dividends.
3. To elect Directors.
4. To appoint Auditors for the current year.

The Share Transfer Register will be CLOSED from 17th December to 30th December, 1944 both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
INDO-BRITISH ENGINEERS,
Managing Agents.
2, Royal Exchange Place,
Calcutta,
14th December, 1944.
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TENDER NOTICE

No. CX-20634-P14

THE TEXTILE COMMISSIONER invites tenders to reach his Office at Wittet Road, Ballard Estate, Bombay, on or before 4th January 1945, on forms (not transferable) obtainable from his Office (Section AD.V-Cash) at Rs. 10|- (not refundable) per set to be paid in Cash or by Money Order or Indian Postal Order (quoting Tender number, full name and address of the remitter) for BRACES COTTON—

33"—5,87,500 PAIRS.
37½"—11,75,000 PAIRS.
42"—5,87,500 PAIRS IN OLIVE GREEN SHADE, CONFORMING TO SPECIFICATIONS AND DRAWING NOS. CXS|40 (a), CXS|27, CXS|23 AND I.M. DRG. No. 2510 (a).

2. Applicants not already on approved list of the Office of the Textile Commissioner must give their Banker's reference with the application for a Tender form.

3. Tenders are required to be kept open for acceptance upto the 22nd January, 1945. They will be opened at **11 A.M. on the 5th January 1945.**

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PUBLIC NOTICES

G. I. P. RAILWAY.

THE DIVISIONAL ENGINEER, G.I.P. Railway, Bombay invites tenders upto 12 hours on 23-12-1944 for "constructing two 53 feet ashpits and water columns at Kurla Station." The form of tender schedule and conditions o contract can be obtained from his office on payment of Rs. 2|- per set. Plans for the work will supplied on an additional payment of Rs. 3|- per set being made. These sums will not be refunded.

(1331)

Finance Department (Supply), Bombay Castle, 12th December, 1944.

ORDER

No. 796|-IV-B.—In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-rule (2) of rule 81 of the Defence of India Rules, and in supersession of Government Order in the Finance Department (Supply) No. 410|-IV-B of 9th May 1944, the Government of Bombay is pleased to direct that with effect from the 15th December 1944 no person shall remove eggs (of hen or duck) by rail, road or sea—

(a) from any place within the limits of the Province of Bombay to any place in India outside the said limits except under and in accordance with the conditions of a licence granted by the Director of Civil Supplies, Bombay;

(b) from any place within the limits of the area comprising the City of Bombay and the Bombay Suburban District to any place in India outside the said limits except under and in accordance with the conditions of a licence granted by the Director of Civil Supplies, Bombay, or the Licensing Officer in the office of the Supply Commissioner, Bombay;

Provided that such licence shall not be required for carrying eggs not exceeding 12 in number as part of his personal luggage by a bona fide traveller.

2. Any Court trying a contravention of this Order may direct that any stocks of eggs, together with the packages and coverings thereof, in respect of which the Court is satisfied that the Order has been contravened, or their sale proceeds, shall be forfeited to His Majesty.

By order of the Governor of Bombay,
A. D. GORWALA,
Secretary to Government.
(1335)

SECRETARY, PUNJAB AND N.W. F. P. JOINT PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION, LAHORE

INVITES APPLICATIONS from British subjects (Punjabis and Zamindars preferred) or subjects of notified Punjab States women only, ON OR BEFORE 8-1-45, on prescribed form (obtainable free) accompanied by treasury or M.O. receipt for Rs. 5|- for a temporary post of INSPECTRESS OF HEALTH CENTRES, PUNJAB. Pay Rs. 275-700 p.m. (advance increments for candidates with special qualifications and experience). Qualifications: Degree in Medicine and Surgery and special training in maternity and child welfare work. D. P. H. qualification desirable but not essential. Age: Preferably not more than 35 on 8-1-45. Govt. servants eligible. Further particulars on application.

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THE BOMBAY ELECTRIC SUPPLY & TRAMWAYS CO., LTD.

LOST TEMPORARY RECEIPTS

Notice is hereby given that the following two Temporary Receipts of the Bombay Electric Supply and Tramways Co., Ltd., have been lost, mislaid or destroyed:—

Temporary Receipt No.	No. of Shares
(1) 55759	5 Ordinary Nos. 267224 to 267228

NAME

Mr. Goolfam Jamshed Kanga & Mrs. Rati Goolfam Kanga.

(2) 12436	10 Preference Nos. 25954 to 25963

Name

Mr. Krishnalal Kerparam Thakor.

Any claim in respect of these shares should be notified to the Company at their Registered Office, Electric House, Bombay, within 15 days from the date hereof, otherwise duplicate Temporary Receipts will be issued irrespective of any claim in respect thereof.

(1) Sd.|- GOOLFAM JAMSHED KANGA and Mrs. RATI GOOLFAM KANGA.

(2) Sd.|- KRISHNALAL KERPARAM THAKOR.

Dated 15|12|44.

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LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the GENERAL POWER of Attorney executed by our client Mr. Ramchandar Ramdayal Mundada as the Managing Director of Ramdayal Shivkaran New Ginning Pressing Factory at Sindhi Mothi on the 3rd day of May, 1940, in favour of (1) Sukanraj Laxmipratap, (2) Tejraj Laxmipratap, (3) Sobachand Shivkaran and (4) Madangopal Ramratan has been CANCELLED and revoked, so far as it relates to the said (1) Sukanraj Laxmipratap, (2) Sobachand Shivkaran and (3) Madangopal Ramratan.

Dated this 14th day of December, 1944

BHAISHANKER KANGA AND GIRDHARLAL,
Attorneys for Mr. Ramchandar Ramdayal Mundada.
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LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE.

Estate of SORABJEE COWASJEE PETIT, ... Deceased

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all persons claiming debts or liabilities affecting the estate of the abovenamed Sorabjee Cowasjee Petit, late of Bombay Parsi inhabitant, a Merchant, who died at Bombay on 30th October, 1943, and Probate of whose Will with two Codicils thereto having effect throughout British India was granted by the High Court of Judicature at Bombay on 4th December, 1944, to Dadabhoy Burjorji Lam, Cowasji Hormusji Petit and Hormusji Rustomji Wadia, three of the executors named in the said Will of the deceased, abovenamed, are hereby required to send their claims to the said Executors at the office of their attorneys Messrs. Merwanji Kola and Co., at 14K., Hamam Street, Fort, Bombay, within one calendar month from the date hereof, at the expiration of which time the said Executors will hand over the assets to the persons entitled thereto having regard only to the claims of which they shall then have notice and no claims sent in subsequently will be recognized.

And all persons indebted to or holding any securities or property belonging to the said deceased, are hereby required forthwith to pay the amount owing by them and or to deliver up the said securities or property as the case may be to the said Executors at their attorneys' address aforesaid.

Dated this 14th day of December, 1944.

MERWANJI KOLA & CO.,
Attorneys for the Executors,
14K, Hamam Street, Fort,
Bombay.
(1382)

NOTICE OF SALE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that my client TRIMBAK MORESHWAR PARDHY of Vile Parle has contracted to sell to my clients free from encumbrances his separate and self-acquired property, situate at Hanuman Road Vile Parle, bearing Non-agricultural Survey No. 276 D (part) and measuring about 1500 sq. yds. and bearing Parle-Andheri Municipal Nos. 40, 41 and 42 of Hanuman Road.

ALL persons claiming any interest in the said property are requested to inform about the same in writing to the undersigned at his Office at Alli Chambers, Fort, Bombay or at his Bungalow "Vaidya Cottage", Vile Parle, within 14 days, otherwise, the sale will be completed without any regard to any such claim and the same if any will be considered as waived.

Dated this 14th day of December, 1944.

K. K. VAIDYA,
Purchaser's Attorney.
(1373)

HIGH COURT OF BOMBAY

INSOLVENCY NO. 98 OF 1944

Re: C. B. L. BHATNAGAR, carrying on business under the name of "Commercial Films of India" at Prospect Chambers, Hornby Road, Bombay ..... A Debtor

Ex parte: P. H. VASWANI ..... Petitioning Creditor

On the 16th day of November, 1944, an order was made by the High Court of Judicature at Bombay in its Insolvency Jurisdiction adjudging the abovenamed Debtor an Insolvent.

Dated this 13th day of December, 1944.

S. S. RANGNEKAR.
Insolvency Registrar.
(1385)

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Mr. DARABSHAW MERWANJI MASTER has contracted to sell the undermentioned property to our clients. Any person having any claim or interest in or to the said property by way of sale, mortgage, trust, lien, possession, gift, inheritance, lease or otherwise, howsoever, is hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their Office at Jehangir Wadia Building, Esplanade Road, Fort, Bombay, within 14 days from the date hereof, otherwise the sale will be completed without any regard to any such claim and the same, if any, will be considered as waived.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY

ALL THAT piece or parcel of Freehold land, situate at Madhavdas Pasta Road, off Vincent Road, Dadar, in Bombay in the registration Sub-District of Bombay, containing by admeasurement 399 square yards or thereabouts and registered in the Books of the Collector of Land Revenue under New Survey No. 1, 4 and 7 and 2089 Cadastral Survey No. 3 B|76 of Dadar Naigaum Division together with the dwelling house and all buildings standing thereon and bounded, on the North by a Plot of land bearing C. S. No. 11|76 of Dadar Naigaum Division, on the South by a plot of land bearing C. S. No. 3|76 of Dadar Naigaum Division and beyond that by the Goculdas Pasta Road, on the East by a plot of land bearing C. S. No. 3 A|76 of the Dadar Naigaum Division and beyond that by the Vincent Road and on the West by Madhavdas Pasta Road and which premises are assessed under 15 (F) Ward No. 825 (2ABC) Street Nos. 185ZAC.

Dated this 13th day of December, 1944.

MULLA & MULLA,
Purchasers' Attorneys.
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LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to the Public that JANU, wife of Ales Ghosal and Ales Jao Ghosal of Kurla Christian Inhabitants have contracted to sell to our clients the undermentioned property.

All persons having any claim, whatsoever in or upon the said property are hereby required to give notice thereof in writing to the undersigned at No. 65, Mahatma Gandhi Road, Fort, Bombay, within 14 days from the date hereof, otherwise the sale will be completed without reference to any such claim and the same, if any, shall be considered to have been waived.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY

Property situate at Mouje Kurla, Taluka South Salsette District Bombay Suburban in the registration Sub-District of Bandra particulars whereof are as under:

Survey No.	Hissa No.	Area Acres.	Gunthas.
40	9	0	5¾

Dated this 14th day of December, 1944.

MOHILE & PAREKH,
Purchasers' Attorneys.
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AUCTION SALES

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5. Diamond pendant mounted in platinum with one large diamond centre and one diamond drop.

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SORABJEE COWASJEE & CO.,
Auctioneers.
123, Medows Street, Bombay.

AUCTION SALE OF UNCLEARED CARGOES OF THE B. P. T DOCKS.

In accordance with Sec. 64 of the Bombay Port Trust Acts of 1879 and as from time to time amended under instructions from the Manager, Bombay Port Trust Docks MENESSE & CO., will sell by Public Auction on TUESDAY, the 19th December, 1944 at 2-30 p.m. at Alexandra Docks (Sale Warehouse), rivets, caustic soda, chemicals, Manila and Wire rope etc.

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